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Take out the trash

Step 1 - Identify the problem

a. The initial request was to “take out the trash” After review, I have determined the request being asked is, how can I remove the odor from my apartment and make space for accumulating waste.

Step 2 - What do I need to know

- a. Beginning point: Why am I taking out the trash
- b. I am taking out the trash because my apartment smells and I have nowhere to put new trash

Step 3 - Identify things I need to find

- a. Trashcan location
- b. Cause of the smell
- c. Items in trash

Step 4 - Organize the data

- a. I have evaluated the problem as “how can I remove the odor from my apartment and make space for accumulating waste..”
- b. In order to solve this problem the necessary data points that need evaluation are where can I take the trash, what is causing the smell, what items make up the trash (recyclables, plastic, compost)

Step 5 - Identify Relationships

- a. The cause of the smell is directly related to the trash and how long it has been in the apartment. The items within the trash are related to the trashcan location since the plastics, and compost are in different places

Step 6 - Find a solution

- a. Work backwards - You want to take out the trash because your apartment smells and you need a place to put accumulating trash. You need to figure out what's

causing the smell because that will give hints on where to dispose the trash so you don't have to dig through it

Step 7 - Presentation

The question we were initially asked was to "take out the trash". After review, I decided the actual question being asked was "how can I remove the odor from my apartment and make space for accumulating waste."

To make sure we have space too put accumulating trash and rid our apartment of bad smells the data presented these key points. First you need to gain a consensus of what items are in the trash such as plastic, compost, recyclables or waste. Next you can determine what type of trashcan to throw the garbage into. Lastly you find the location of your dumpster(s) and dispose of the trash