

#### BBC World Service report

##### The story

A committee of MPs has said it wants an extra 25 pence added to hot drinks sold in disposable cups. An estimated 2.5 billion are thrown away in the UK every year. The Commons Environmental Audit Committee says the levy would be used to improve Britain's recycling and reprocessing facilities.

##### Vocabulary

**in a bid to**

in an attempt to (achieve something)

**combat**

try to stop something bad happening

**whizz-kids**

young people who are very clever and successful

##### Language challenge

The word 'whizz-kid' means a very clever and successful young person. There is another word we use in English to mean a similar thing which we've borrowed from German. What is it?

- a) hinterland
- b) wunderkind
- c) zeitgeist

##### Answer

- b) zeitgeist