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### Talking Trash...

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BERLIN - Berlin has introduced five talking waste bins which say thank you in three different languages or scream "goal" to help promote a cleaner city.

The talking waste bins - which curiously say thank you in French, Japanese and English but not German - are located in an area popular with tourists at the central Potsdamer Platz and at the Zoo train station in the west of the city.

Fifteen more solar-powered talking waste bins may follow in the short term, Bernd Mueller, spokesman for the city's waste disposal services, said Monday.

However, the city does not plan to teach all 20,000 Berlin bins to talk.

"That's much too expensive," said Mueller. "But everybody loves those bins."

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