Do NOT compost these things:

diseased plants  weeds with seeds
poisonous plants  meat/fish  charcoal ash
pernicious, invasive weeds like:
bindweed, puncture vine, Russian thistle, Bermuda grass
dairy products  non-organics (plastic, glass, metal)
fats, oils, grease, butter, margarine, lard
wood ash (sparingly)  coal  treated woods
chemicals  pesticides  herbicides
dog, cat, pig, pet bird manure, etc.
glossy, slick colored paper
(recycle it instead)

When in doubt, leave it out
(and then do a bit of research)