

## ARE YOU A WATER WASTER? TRACK HOW MUCH WATER YOU USE IN ONE DAY

HERE'S YOUR CHALLENGE: You need water to survive. You drink, bathe, wash dishes with it, use it to prepare food or to keep your pet goldfish happy. But just how much water do you use at home? For this mission, you'll be keeping track of how much water you use in one day.

DIRECTIONS: Each time you do one of the activities below, record the number of minutes or times you do the activity. Multiply the number of minutes or times by the amount of water used. Add everything in the last column to get the approximate amount of water you used.

- This site has an interactive water use tracking tool that you can you instead.

| Activity | Minutes Water <br> was Running | Amount of <br> Water Used | Gallons Used |
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| Took a shower |  | $\times 2.5$ gallons/minute |  |
| Washed my hands |  | $\times 1.5$ gallons/minute |  |
| Brushed my teeth |  | $\times 1.5$ gallons/minute |  |
| Washed dishes by hand |  | $\times 2.5$ gallons/minute |  |


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| Flushed a toilet |  | $x 1.6$ gallons/flush |  |
| Took a bath |  | $x 35$ gallons |  |
| Ran the dishwasher |  | $x 6$ gallons/load |  |
| Ran a load of laundry |  | $x 30$ gallons/load |  |



My Total Gallons of Water UsedIn what room of the house did you use the most water?

Can you think of ways to use little less water?

