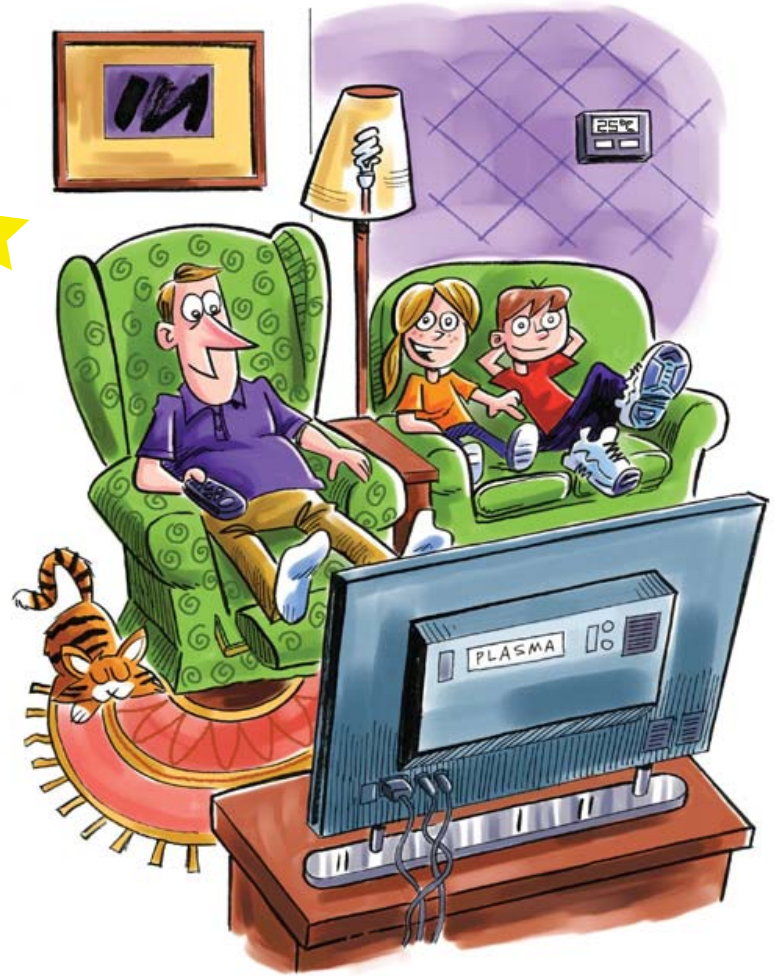


# Use Electricity Wisely



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Although you can't see it, electricity is a big part of your life. Think about it! Without electricity, you wouldn't be able to use your computer, charge your ipod or grab a cold drink from the fridge. Since we all use it, saving electricity is everyone's job. It's important for you and your family to use less so that there's always enough around. Also, the less electricity we use the healthier the environment is.

## **Saving Electricity is Easy!**

Saving electricity is important but that doesn't mean it's hard! Try a few of these simple moves when you get home.

**Turn it off.** Make it a habit to turn off the lights when you leave a room, even if it's only for a few minutes.

**Choose then open.** Leaving the fridge door open while you look around lets cold air escape. Instead, pick what you want to eat or drink before opening the door.

**Shut it down.** Shut down your computer whenever you're not using it. It only takes a second to restart later.

**Load it up.** Before you turn on the dishwasher or clothes dryer make sure that it's full. That way you won't have to run a second load and use extra electricity.

**Speak up.** Ask your parents to buy you a power bar with timer for the computer and have them install CFL light bulbs for your room.

## **What kind of electricity user are you?**

The more you know about electricity, the easier it is to save it. Why not find out a little bit about yourself and your electricity habits by taking an electric personality quiz?

# QUIZ

1. When you leave your bedroom are the lights on or off?

- On (-3 points)
- Off (+3 points)



2. Do you keep the fridge door open deciding what you want to eat?

- Yes (-3 points)
- Sometimes (0 points)
- No (+3 points)



3. When you're not charging your iPod, how often is your charger plugged in?

- All the time (-3 points)
- Sometimes (0 points)
- Never (+3 points)



4. Do you leave the tap running when you brush your teeth?

- Yes (-3 points)
- Sometimes (0 points)
- No (+3 points)



5. Does your family leave their computers, televisions, and radios on, even if no one is around?

- Yes (-3 points)
- Sometimes (0 points)
- No (+3 points)

6. Does your air conditioning make your house feel too cold?

- Yes (-3 points)
- No (+3 points)

7. Does your family ever run the dryer or dishwasher when it is only half full?

- Yes (-3 points)
- Sometimes (0 points)
- No (+3 points)

## Live for Today (Less than 3 points)

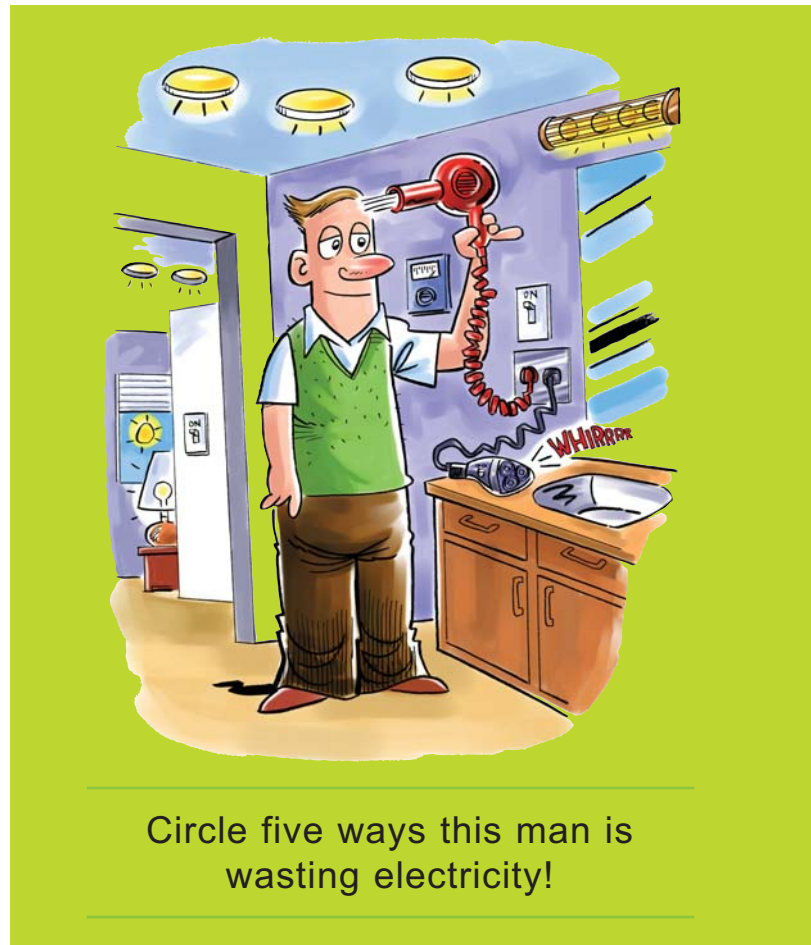
You use electricity like it's going out of style. More often than not you keep the fridge door open, leave your ipod plugged in all day and don't bother to turn the lights out. After all, saving electricity isn't your problem.

## Yo-Yo Saver (4 to 17 points)

You save electricity, but only if it's not going to interrupt your life. For example, you might turn off the lights but can't be bothered to shut down your computer. Why not make a change and become a Green Champion?

## Green Champion (More than 18 points)

Saving electricity is at the top of your list! You always go the extra mile, whether that means turning off the lights or using a power bar with timer. Plus, you remind your family how they should use less electricity.



Circle five ways this man is wasting electricity!

Quiz Answers:  
Shut window blinds  
Air conditioning set too cold  
Lights are on in living room and not in use  
Lights are on in hallway and not in use  
Change old light bulbs to CFLs

