



Direct and Virtual Water Use Game Cards

Instructions

Make multiple copies of the sheets with cards. Cut out the cards on both sheets, creating a set. Put each set in a bag or envelope and mix the cards well. Then divide the class into groups, give each group one set of cards, and instruct them to sort the cards into examples of direct and virtual water use. Use the answer key to evaluate each group's results, and then announce the group with the most cards as the winner!

Answer Key

DIRECT WATER CONSERVATION

- Fixing your leaky faucets
- Installing a low-flow showerhead
- Installing faucets aerators on kitchen and bathroom water fixtures
- Turning off the faucet when you brush your teeth
- Using a shorter wash cycle on your dishwasher
- Using a shorter wash cycle on your washing machine
- Watering your lawn in the early morning or evening
- Watering your lawn with a hose and spray nozzle instead of a sprinkler

VIRTUAL WATER CONSERVATION

- Buying food from a farmers' market rather than food that was delivered from far away
- Buying jeans from a resale store instead of buying new jeans
- Buying products made from recycled paper
- Eating at least one vegetarian meal per week
- Eating more whole foods and fewer processed foods
- Reusing containers instead of buying new ones
- Riding your bike instead of riding in a car
- Turning off the lights when no one is using a room

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Installing a low-flow showerhead

Turning off the faucet when you brush your teeth

Using a shorter wash cycle on your dishwasher

Watering your lawn with a hose and spray nozzle instead of a sprinkler

Installing faucets aerators on kitchen and bathroom water fixtures

Fixing your leaky faucets

Watering your lawn in the early morning or evening

Virtual Water Use Game Cards



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