ENERGY SCAVENGER HUNT

This fun activity will help families save on energy costs. You and your children can search for ways in which you are already saving energy and for ways in which you could save more energy. Fill in the lists below. Give yourself two points for each ENERGY STAR®–labeled appliance in your home.

Families:
Not all ENERGY STAR appliances have the ENERGY STAR logo displayed on the front. If you are not sure whether an appliance is an ENERGY STAR appliance, check the manual that came with that appliance, or visit *www.energystar.gov* for a list of qualifying models.

The following appliances in our home already have the ENERGY STAR label:

(Check your computer, VCR, room air conditioners, lighting fixtures, DVD player, CD player, television, refrigerator, dishwasher, etc.)

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Now circle the answers that best fit your home. Give yourself two points for an "all" or "always" answer, one point for a "some" or "sometimes" answer, and no points for a "none" or "never" answer.

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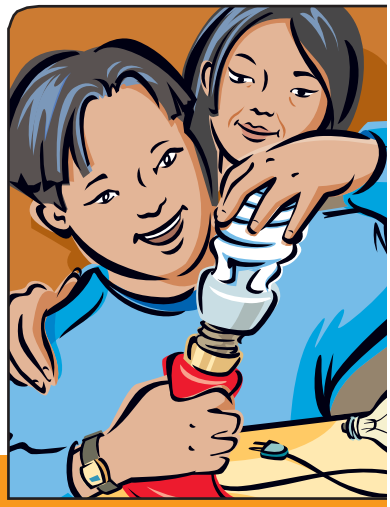
We make sure our faucets do not leak.	always	sometimes	never
We have curtains or blinds on our windows.	all	some	none
We turn off lights and appliances when we're not using them.	always	sometimes	never
We use compact fluorescent lightbulbs and ENERGY STAR–labeled fixtures.	all	some	none
We turn off room air conditioners when we leave the room.	always	sometimes	never
We turn off the oven when our food is cooked.	always	sometimes	never
We clean our warm-air registers, baseboard heaters, and radiators.	always	sometimes	never



How did you do?

31 points or more: You're an ENERGY STAR!

10–30 points: You understand energy efficiency.

0–9 points: You've learned some great ways to be energy efficient.

If you discovered that you could improve your energy efficiency by turning off lights, installing blinds, or taking on other small home-improvement projects, now would be a great time to plan to do them—as a family.

Here are three ways we plan to improve our energy efficiency:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____