



CLIMATE CLASSROOM

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GLOBAL WARMING FAMILY ACTION CHECKLIST

SIMPLE STEPS

- Turn off the lights, computer, and TV when you're not using them.
- Unplug electronics and chargers between uses.
- Do laundry when you have a full load.
- Set your washer on the cold water setting.
- Take shorter showers and don't fill the tub full when you take a bath.
- Run your dishwasher when you have a full load. Use the energy-saving setting.
- Set your water heater no higher than 120 degrees.
- Set the temperature on your air conditioner a few degrees higher.
- Set the thermostat on your furnace a few degrees lower.
- Walk or ride a bike instead of riding in the car for short trips.
- Combine errands to reduce car trips.
- Recycle your paper, plastic, glass, and cans.
- Take reusable bags with you to the supermarket.

BIGGER STEPS

- Switch to compact fluorescent light bulbs.
- Hang your wash up to dry instead of using the dryer.
- Insulate your hot water heater.
- Weatherize your windows and doors.
- Check the tire pressure on your car regularly.
- Keep your car's engine tuned up.
- Plant a tree or two.



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SUPER-SIZED STEPS

- Buy fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies.
- Buy less stuff.
- Choose recycled paper and other recycled products.
- Add more insulation to your home.
- Choose a well-insulated home that isn't bigger than you need.
- Choose a car that gets high gas mileage.
- Choose appliances with the "Energy Star" label.
- Tell others how they can join the fight against global warming.
- Encourage elected officials to support laws to reduce global warming.