# Materials

* Collapsible Bucket
* Shower Timer
* Faucet Filter
* Seeds
* Tracking Sheet

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# Activities

* Bucket:
  + Use this bucket to catch the water from the shower while it's warming up! You can use this to water plants, mop the floor, and wash the car!
* Shower Timer
  + This timer lasts 5 minutes before the sand runs out, see how fast you can shower to save water!
* Faucet Filter
  + Have a parent help you replace the end of your sink faucet with this, it will make less water come out and help save water!
* Seeds
  + These seeds are for a mystery plant that does not need a lot of water. Make sure to give your seed water once a month and give it lots of love every day!
* Tracking Sheet
  + Use this to keep track of how much water you use every day. See who can use the least water in your family!

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# Did You Know…

* The average person in Santa Fe, New Mexico uses about 93 gallons of water per day
* It takes 70 gallons of water to fill a bathtub
* A 10 minute shower uses about 25 gallons of water

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# Want to do More?

Here are some fun ways you can use stuff around the house!

* Fill an empty milk jug with water and put it in the back of your toilet. Every time you flush you’ll be saving water!
* Shut the water off while you're brushing your teeth to save about 5 gallons of water!
* Half empty water bottles can be used to water plants, or give the water to your pets!
* Fill your sink with water and use that to clean dishes instead of leaving the water running!
* Use a watering can instead of a hose to water your plants!

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# How much water am I using?

Use the statistics below to fill out the tracking sheet to see how much water you use!

| **Activity** | **Water Used** |
| --- | --- |
| Bath | 30-40 gallons |
| Shower (per minute) | 2-4 gallons |
| Brushing teeth (with tap running) | 2-3 gallons |
| Dish-washing by hand (with tap running) | 10-20 gallons |
| Dishwasher | 7-10 gallons |
| Washing hands (with tap running) | 1-2 gallons |
| Laundry Machine | 40 gallons |
| Toilet (per flush) | 1.5-4 gallons |

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