

Energy Hog Scavenger Hunt

Do the Energy Hog Scavenger Hunt with your family and find out if you have Energy Hogs lurking in your home. Check the box that best applies to you and your home (*there are no wrong answers, so be honest*).

Heating & Cooling =
44% of your energy bill!

1. Attic Insulation: Ask an adult at home how much insulation you have in the attic.

- D 6 inches or less (2 points)
- D 7 to 11 inches (4 points)
- D 12 inches or more (6 points)

2. Furnace Filters: Ask an adult at home how often your filters were cleaned or changed in the last year.

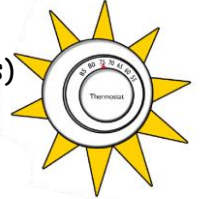
- D Not at all (2 points)
- D 1 - 3 times (4 points)
- D 4 or more (6 points)

3. Weatherstripping: Open your front and back door and check the condition of the weatherstripping between the door and the doorframe.

- D None (2 points)
- D Worn out (4 points)
- D Good condition (6 points)

4. Thermostat: At what temperature do you set your thermostat?

- In winter months**
- D 74° or higher (2 points)
 - D 70° - 73° (4 points)
 - D 69° or lower (6 points)

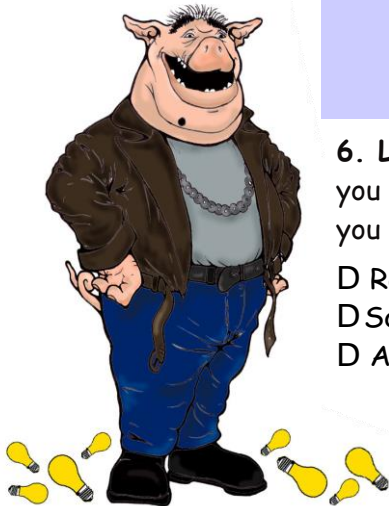


- In summer months**
- D 74° or lower (2 points)
 - D 75° - 77° (4 points)
 - D 78° or higher (6 points)

5. Windows: How many layers of glass do your windows have?

- D Single-pane with no storm windows (2 points)
- D Single-pane with storm windows or double-pane (4 points)
- D Double-pane with reflective coating or low-e (6 points)

Lighting, Cooking & Appliances = 33% of your energy bill!



6. Lights: How often do you turn lights off when you leave a room?

- D Rarely (2 points)
- D Sometimes (4 points)
- D Always (6 points)

7. Light Bulbs: Count the number of compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) you're using at home.

- D No CFL bulbs (2 points)
- D 1 - 4 CFL bulbs (4 points)
- D 5 or more CFLs (6 points)



8. Cooking: When cooking, how often does your family keep the lids on pots?

- D Almost never (2 points)
- D Sometimes (4 points)
- D Always (6 points)

9. Electricity: Search your house for the ENERGY STAR® label. (hint: check things that are plugged in like the computer, dishwasher, TV, etc.) How many did you find?

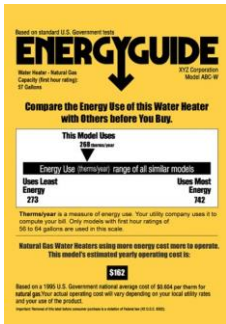
- D None (2 points)
- D 1 - 2 labels found (4 points)
- D 3 or more labels found (6 points)



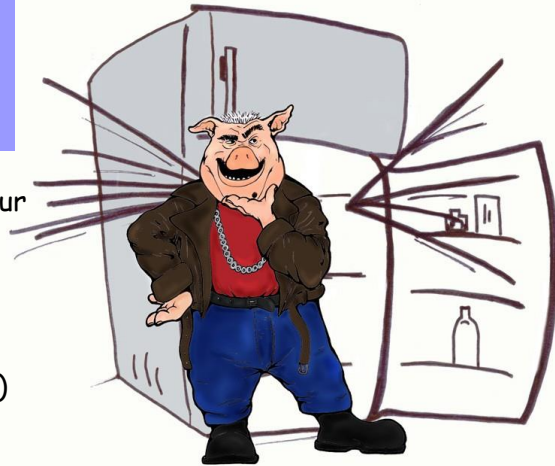
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Heating Water =
14% of your energy bill!

10. Water Heater: Find the Energy Guide label on your water heater and check it out. How much energy does your water heater use compared to similar models?



- D Uses the most energy (2 points)
- D Uses an average amount (4 points)
- D Uses the least energy (6 points)



Refrigerator =
9% of your energy bill!

11. Fridge Test: Close the refrigerator door over a dollar bill or piece of paper so that it is half in and half out of the door. Then gently tug on it. How easy was it to pull out the dollar bill or piece of paper?

- D Easy to pull (2 points)
- D Hard to pull (4 points)
- D Can't pull (6 points)

How Did You Score?

Your Total Points →

(Add up all of your points to get your total.)

60-66 Awesome!! Keep up the good work! Think up new ways to save energy, and remind your family.

37-59 Look Out! You're on your way, but Energy Hogs might be sneaking into areas of your house like your attic, and maybe around your windows. To stop them from getting through drafty windows, add weatherstripping or caulking. Insulating the attic is very important. Learn more ways to bust those hogs!

22-36 Oink! You've got hogs! Taking the Energy Hog Scavenger Hunt is the first step, so good job! The next step is to bust the Energy Hogs that lurk in your home. Energy Hogs live in places that need insulation, like behind your walls and in the attic. Think up other ways to save energy at home and get your family started.

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