



Making your house green

Before watching

1 Match the words to make eight ways to help protect the environment.

- 1 Buy the central heating (radiators).
- 2 Close electrical equipment.
- 3 Have a dishwasher.
- 4 Recycle the fridge door.
- 5 Turn down lights in empty rooms.
- 6 Turn off food produced locally.
- 7 Turn off shorter showers.
- 8 Use plastic containers.

While watching

2a 25 Watch four teenagers talking about ways to save energy in the home. Which ideas from 1 do they mention? Write the number of the sentences next to each person.



Grace



James



Jessica



Louie

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2b 25 Watch again. Complete the sentences.

Grace

- 1 When she's at home in winter, she always
- 2 Some of her friends wear a T-shirt and

James

- 3 After an hour, he and his friends
- 4 He says it's important to turn things off

Jessica

- 5 Only turn on the dishwasher when

Louie

- 6 His uncle always

3a 25 VIDEO SKILLS The four speakers finish their tips with 'Do you know ...?' and a statistic connected with saving energy in the home in the UK. Read the video skills box. Then watch again and answer the questions.

Grace

- 1 How much carbon dioxide does central heating produce every year?
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James

- 2 How much does it cost every year when people in the UK have their televisions on standby?
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Jessica

- 3 How much water do you use if you wash dishes by hand? And in a dishwasher?
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Louie

- 4 How much of the money you spend on electricity can you save if you turn off the lights you don't need?
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VIDEO SKILLS: Understanding numerical information

Numbers

- 100 = a hundred
- 1,000 = a thousand
- 1,000,000 = a million
- 1.5 = one point five

Money

- \$ = dollars (US)
- £ = pounds (UK)
- € = euros

Other numbers

- 1,000 kilograms (kilos) = a tonne
- 1 l = a litre
- 1% = one per cent

3b How do you feel after listening to the four facts?

After reading

4a Look again at the speakers' five tips for saving energy at home. Decide if the tips can help your school to save energy. If not, explain why.

4b SKILLS 4 LIFE Don't just talk about it, do it! Save energy in your home. Follow these steps.

- 1 Make a poster. On the poster, draw a table like the one below. Write the five tips in it, and the names of the people in your house.

	Me	Lucy	Mum
Close the fridge door...	5		

- 2 Put the poster in your kitchen. Tell everybody it's a competition. You all start with five points. Every time you don't do something you lose one point. The person with the most points at the end of the week is the winner.
- 3 Bring the poster to class. Show other students the result of the competition. Decide if it's a good way to save energy.

REFLECT ON IT



Which of the tips from the video are easy to follow? Which are more difficult? Do you think we need to do other things, too? If so, what things?