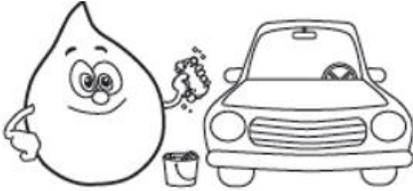


Saving Water with Dew Drop!

Let's help Dew Drop save water! In each activity, Dew Drop is either saving water or wasting water. Saving water means using less water or only what we need. Wasting water means using more than you need.

For each of picture below, write if you think Dew Drop is saving water or wasting water. Explain why.

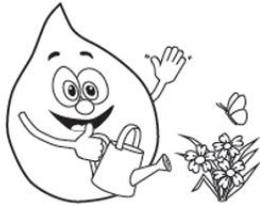
1) Dew is washing his car



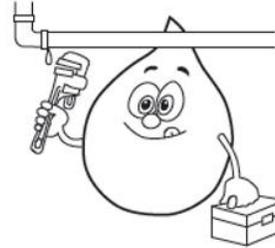
4) Dew is washing his hands



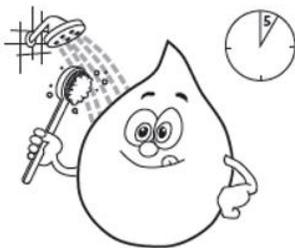
2) Dew is watering his plants



5) Dew is fixing a leaky pipe



3) Dew is taking a 5-minute shower



6) Dew is flushing a tissue down the toilet



7) Dew is brushing his teeth



Saving Water with Dew Drop: Answer Key

- 1) Dew drop is washing his car with a bucket and sponge. He is **saving water** because he is not using a garden hose. Garden hoses use large amounts of water and when the water runs off down the driveway and into the sides of the street, it enters the storm drains which take the soapy, dirty water into Lake Ontario, polluting the environment.
- 2) Dew drop is watering his plants. He is **saving water** because he is using a watering can to help his garden grow instead of a garden hose that uses a lot more water. Garden hoses can also release water at high speeds, which can hurt your plants while a watering can is much gentler.
- 3) Dew Drop is taking a 5-minute shower. He is **saving water!** A 5-minute shower is the perfect amount of time to get squeaky clean, but also make sure you're using too much water.
- 4) Dew drop is washing his hands with the tap off. He is **saving water** because he turned off the tap when he did not need it.
- 5) Dew drop is fixing a leaky (dripping) pipe. He is **saving water!** A leaky tap or pipe can waste lots of water over time. It is important to find and fix leaks so you don't waste water.
- 6) Dew drop is flushing a tissue down the toilet. He is **wasting water!** The toilet is not a garbage can. Only the 3P's should be flushed down your toilet – pee, poop and toilet paper. Flushing other things down the toilet can block the pipes in your home and under the streets.
- 7) Dew drop is brushing his teeth with the tap off. He is **saving water** because he turned off the tap when he did not need it.

Additional Resources for Parents

Check out the WaterSmart Peel Website! Explore the importance of water efficiency & conservation and get tips on how to check for leaks: <https://www.peelregion.ca/watersmartpeel/residents/index.htm>

Ever wonder how your water is cleaned? Visit our website to learn more about tap water in Peel and its benefits: <https://www.peelregion.ca/pw/water/tapwater/about/>