



Water in the UK

Reducing Water Consumption

This activity will help you explain how the UK can provide water for its rapidly increasing population by reducing water consumption.

1. Complete the following table to show ways in which water usage could be reduced in the home, and how people might be persuaded to adopt these strategies:

Method	How these help reduce water consumption	How people could be persuaded to adopt them
Low flow water taps		
Dual flush toilets		
Reduced flow shower heads		
Metering water supply into people's homes		
Reusing waste water (e.g. from washing up) for flushing toilets or irrigating the garden		

2. In pairs, discuss ideas about how you can reduce water usage when:
 - a) washing the car
 - b) watering the garden
3. Suggest how these household appliances could be altered to reduce the amount of water they consume.
 - a) washing machine
 - b) dishwasher
4. Share your ideas in class by giving a three minute presentation.

