

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

Energy Checklist

1. What's Your Temperature? Check your thermostat to see where it's set. Give yourself 1 point if:

- It's a cool day, the heat is on, and the thermostat is set at 68°F or lower.
- It's a cool night, the heat is on, and the thermostat is set at 60°F or lower.
- It's a warm day, the air conditioning is on, and the thermostat is set at 78°F or higher.

Give yourself 2 points if neither the heat nor air conditioning is on!

2. Window Watch: Take a look at your windows. Are there storm windows on every one? Give yourself 3 points if all your windows have storm windows, 2 points if just some of them do, and 0 points if none have storm windows.

3. Dreaded Drafts: Check for drafts around windows and doors. Put your hand where the window or door meets its frame and feel for moving air. (This works best on a windy day or when there's a big difference between inside and outside temperatures.) Give yourself 2 points if you don't have any drafty windows or doors, 1 point if just some of them are drafty, and 0 points if all are drafty.

4. Hot Stuff: Is your water heater insulated? If it is, give yourself 3 points. And if you have insulation around your hot water pipes, you get 1 point.

5. A Bright Idea: Check your lights to see if they are equipped with incandescent light bulbs. Give yourself 3 points if you find fluorescent bulbs or LEDs instead of incandescent bulbs.

6. Lights Out? Check the rooms in your house. Are the lights, TVs, and stereos off in all the rooms that aren't being used? If they are, you get another 3 points.

Energy Scores:

12 – 17 points: Your home is a super energy saver!

9 – 11 points: Your home has a few energy "leaks" that need fixing, but you're doing OK!

5 – 8 points: You're on the right track, but you really can improve your energy savings.

5 points: Your house needs some energy savings help!

