PERSONAL ENERGY AUDIT

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Read and mark the answers that best describe what you do to save or use energy. Then total up your points for each section. What areas are costing you points? What can you do to improve? Do not worry if you are losing points for questions marked with a *, as long as your scored highly on the other questions marked with a * in the same section.

In the winter	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Do you turn the heat down and	4	3	2	1	0
use lots of blankets at night?*					
Use an electric blanket?* Just keep the whole home	4	3	2	1	0
warm?	0	1	2	3	4
For your food	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Do you grow some of your own produce?	4	3	2	1	0
Go foraging?	4	3	2	1	0
Get your food from local farmers and markets?	4	3	2	1	0
Get your food from within the continental US?	4	3	2	1	0
Get your food from overseas?*	0	1	2	3	4
For your eating habits	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Do you eat food from the four	4	3	2	1	0
basic food groups every day (with minimal processing?)	4	3	2	1	O
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In your spare time:	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Do you read, get outside, or	4	3	2	1	0
otherwise avoid screentime? Ride in motorized vehicles?	0	1	2	3	4
Spend your time in front of a		1	2	3	4
Spend your time in front of a screen?	0	1	2	3	4
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For your windows Are they Plastic coated? Heat mirrored?	Single paned (0) Yes (4) Yes (4)	Double paned (2) No (0) No(0)	Triple paned (4)		
Does you house temperature in the winter require	Sweaters and jackets 4	Long sleeves and pants	Shorts and t-shirt 2	Swim suits 1	
For your hot water heater Is it insulated? Set to 120 F or less? On demand, instead of having a tank?	Yes (4) Yes (4) Yes (4)	No (0) No (0) No (0)			
When you use the oven Do you cook multiple dishes at once? Cook one large dish? Cook single-serving meals?	Always 4 4 0	Mostly 3 3 1	Sometimes 2 2 2 2	Rarely 1 1 3	Never 0 0 4
In the summer Do you open windows to stay cool? Do you use a fan? Use air conditioning? Total:	Always 4 4 0	Mostly 3 3 1	Sometimes 2 2 2 2	Rarely 1 1 3	Never 0 0 4
When you wash your clothes Do you hang them to dry, instead of using an electric dryer?	Always 4	Mostly 3	Sometimes 2	Rarely 1	Never 0
At home	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never

Do you turn off lights when you aren't using them?	4	3	2	1	0
Do you shut off the TV, radio, computers, and other appliances when you're not using them?	4	3	2	1	0
For your possessions Do you get things as	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
hand-me-downs and second-hand stores?	4	3	2	1	0
Do you repair things when they break instead of buying a replacement?	4	3	2	1	0
How often do you buy brand new products?	0	1	2	3	4
For transportation	Always	Mostly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Do you ride a bike or walk?*	4	3	2	1	0
Take public transit?*	4	3	2	1	0
Carpool?*	4	3	2	1	0
Drive yourself, or have someone drive you?	0	1	2	3	4