Water Use Survey

Make a tally of how many times each event happens in your house in a week.

Activity	Water Used (Average)	Tally	Count	Water Used in a Week (water used x count)
Taking a shower	27 litres			
Taking a bath	80 litres			
Flushing a toilet	9 litres			
Washing face/hands or cleaning teeth	4 litres			
Getting a drink	1 litre			
Washing clothes in a washing machine	80 litres			
Washing dishes by hand	7 litres			
Washing dishes in a dishwasher	30 litres			
Washing car with a bucket	7 litres			
Washing Car with a hose	15 litres per minute			
Watering the garden with a hose/sprinkler	9 litres per minute			

At the end of the week, count up the totals. Multiply each total by the amount of water each activity uses on average. Write the answer in the last column.

Next, add up all the numbers in the total water used column.

My household uses _____ litres of water per week.

Where did you use most water? How could you reduce this amount?



Back at School:

Is your household water usage more or less than others in your class? Can you explain why?

