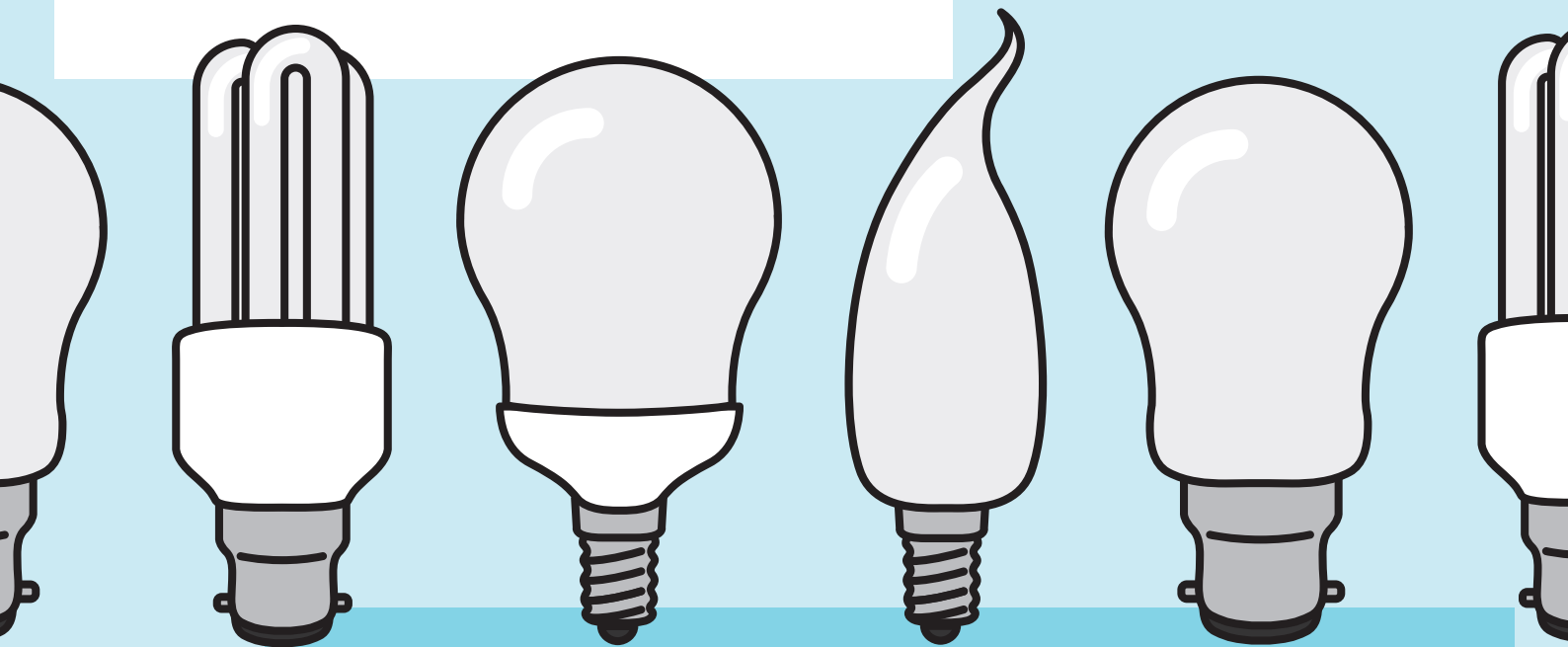


SMALL CHANGE

IT ALL ADDS UP

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NOW THERE'S A BRIGHT IDEA



Energy saving light bulbs. Just one of these 20W beauties can save you £60 over its lifetime, compared to a standard 100W one. Multiply that by the number of light bulbs you've got in your house and... kerching!

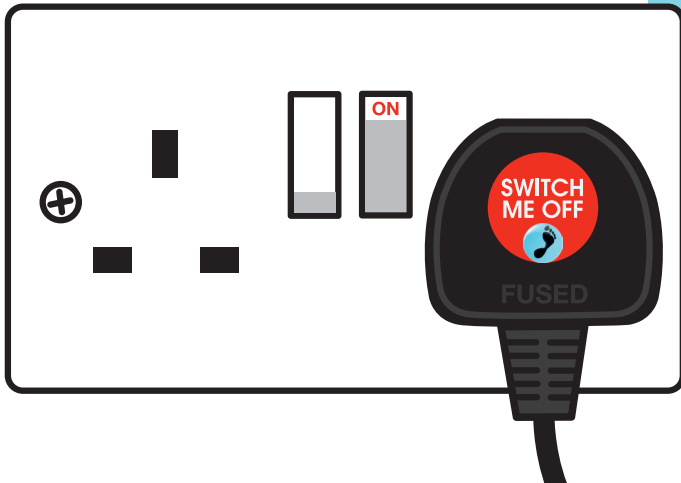
Energy saving light bulbs work in standard fittings and lamps, and some even work with dimmer switches. But remember, they still use energy, so keep them switched off when you're not in the room.

START SAVING UP TO £300 A YEAR AND REDUCE YOUR HOME'S CARBON FOOTPRINT

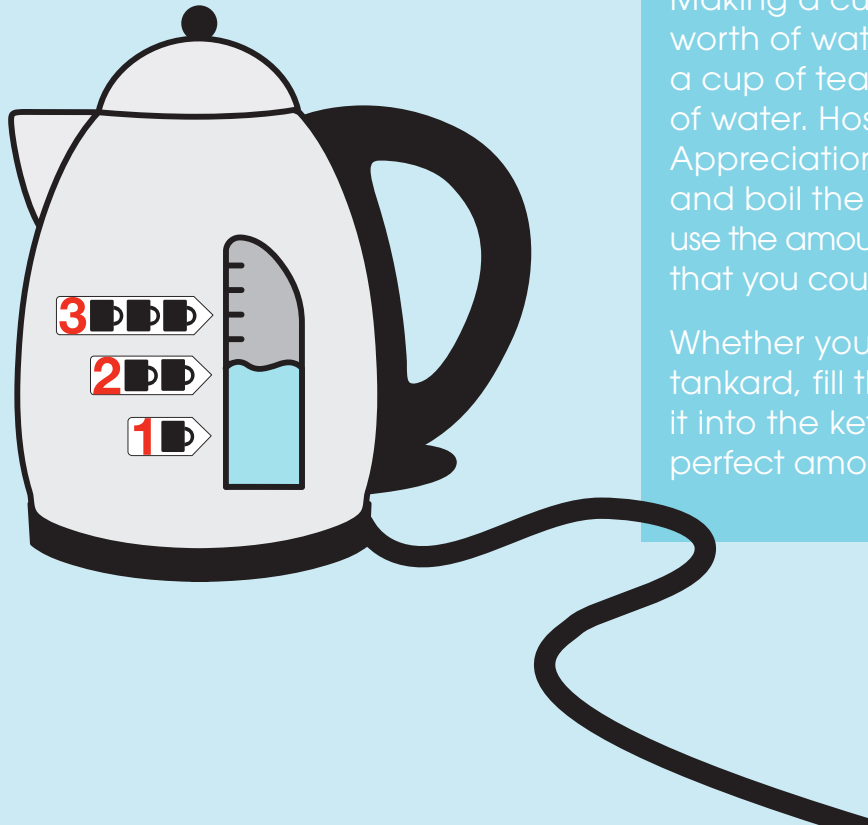
Just a few simple changes in your home can make all the difference to your fuel bills, and that's exactly how energy saving works. The best news is that by making these changes, you'll be doing your bit for the environment by reducing your carbon footprint as well!

STANDBY TO SAVE

We all do it: leaving things on standby that we really should be turning off properly. TVs, DVD players, games consoles, PCs – they're all using energy and costing you money. Switching things off at the mains will save you on average £30 a year and cut down your carbon footprint.



KNOW YOUR BOILING POINT



Making a cup of tea? Then boil a cup's worth of water. Having a friend over for a cup of tea? Then boil two cups' worth of water. Hosting a tea party for the Tea Appreciation Society? Then go ahead and boil the full kettle. The trick is to only use the amount of water you need. By doing that you could save up to £25 a year.

Whether you drink out of a cup, mug or tankard, fill that with water first then pour it into the kettle. That way you'll boil the perfect amount to brew every time.

270mm

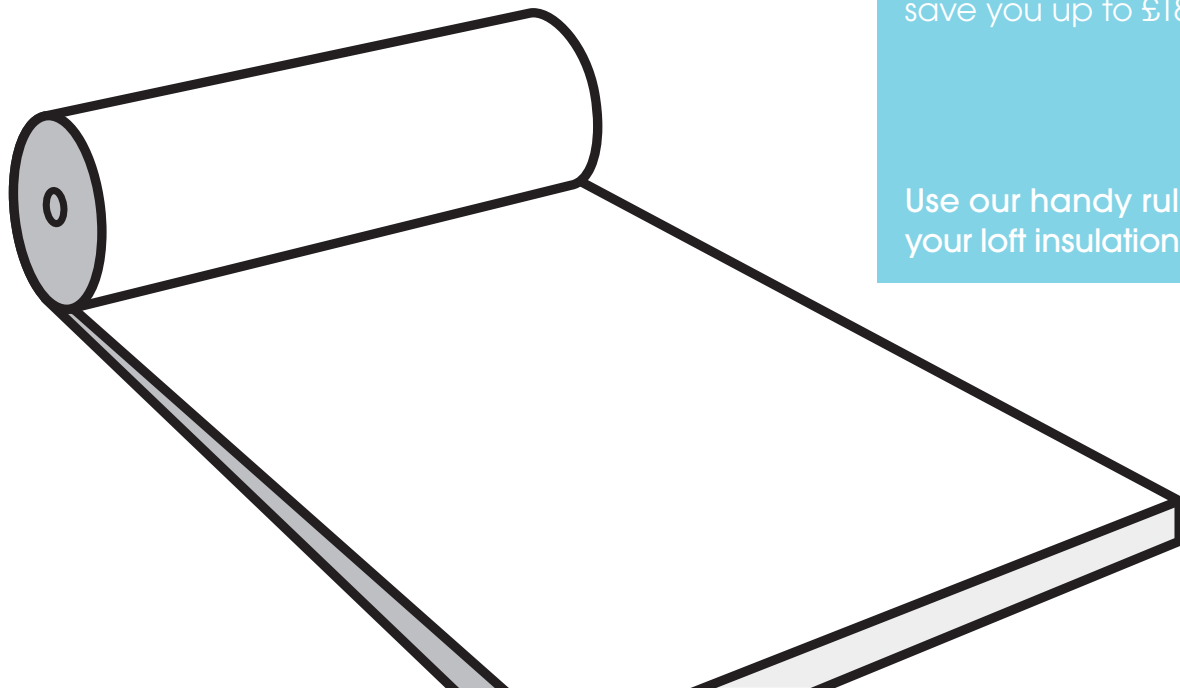


IS YOUR LOFT INSULATION OUT OF ITS DEPTH?

You might have loft insulation, you might not, but did you know that the recommended depth is 270mm?

Fully insulating your cavity walls and loft reduces the heat escaping from the roof and walls in your home, and could save you up to £180 per year.

Use our handy ruler to see if your loft insulation measures up.



MORE WAYS TO SAVE

Hang your washing outside. Hang your washing up outside during the warmer months, and you could save up to £10 a year.

Insulate against rising heating bills. In the same way that you stay warmer for longer with a jacket on, so does the water in your hot water tank. Getting insulation fitted on your tank and pipes is easy to do, costs from just £12, and could pay for itself in six months. So wrap it up.

If you really want to see some big changes in your bills then look into upgrading your boiler. We know that replacing a boiler isn't cheap, but if it's more than ten years old, replacing it with a high-efficiency condensing boiler with heating controls could save you around £210 a year. So it won't be long before it pays for itself.

If you're shopping for a new dishwasher, boiler or even just light bulbs, always look for the Energy Saving Recommended Label. It's your guide to the products that have met the strict criteria on energy efficiency, will cost less to run, and help you reduce carbon emissions. Don't forget to check the 'A-G' energy rating label to see how much energy a product consumes – the 'A-G' indicator is based on European standards with 'A' being the best.



Energy		Washing machine
Manufacturer Model		
More efficient	A	B
	D	
	C	
	E	
	F	
	G	
Less efficient		
Energy consumption kWh/cycle		1.75
Spin-drying performance	A	B
Capacity (cotton) kg	6.5	6.5
Water consumption litres/cycle	12	12
Noise (Washing) dB(A) re 1 pW	68	68
Energy label		
www.energysavingtrust.org.uk		

For more advice on these and other ways to save money and energy, or if you want to calculate your own carbon footprint, visit www.direct.gov.uk/actonco2 or call the ACT ON CO₂ helpline on 0800 512 012.

All statistics provided by DEFRA based on CERT calculations, and relate to an average three-bedroom/semi-detached home.

