





## Kits for Kids Lesson Plan

**GUIDING QUESTION:** What is energy efficiency, and why is it important?

**GOAL:** Students will learn where energy comes from. They also will discover energy-efficient devices and be encouraged to install these items at home.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Students will be able to define energy efficiency.
- 2. Students will be able to explain why energy-efficient devices are important.
- 3. Students will commit to installing the provided energy-efficient items at home.

## Total Time: 30 minutes

TIME	TEACHER ACTION	RESOURCES
5 min	WARM-UP	<u>Worksheet</u>
	<b>Goal:</b> Assess what students already know about energy and the importance of energy efficiency.	Answer key
	1. Distribute worksheet (page 1)	
	2. Allow 2 minutes for students to do independent warm-up	
	<b>3. Pair Share:</b> Students turn to partners and share their answers for questions 1 and 2	
5 min	INTRODUCTION	PowerPoint slides
	<b>Goal:</b> Explain where energy comes from and the importance of energy efficiency.	
	1. Go over agenda	
	2. Review warm-up by showing correct responses	
	3. Call and Response: Students attempt to answer the question, "Where does energy come from?"	
	4. Give correct answer and show slide	
	<ul> <li>a. IMPORTANT: Reiterate that energy is a finite resource that needs to be conserved.</li> </ul>	

TIME	TEACHER ACTION	RESOURCES
10 min	APPLY THE LEARNING	Energy Monsters
	<b>Goal:</b> Students apply what they learned about energy efficiency by playing the Energy Monsters video game.	
	1. Open video game and read instructions	
	2. Demonstrate: Install showerhead in front of class	
	3. Allow students to play the game individually or in pairs	
	<ul> <li>a. IMPORTANT: Push students to pay attention to the energy-saving items they are installing.</li> </ul>	
5 min	ASSESS THE LEARNING	
	<b>Goal:</b> Students understand the benefits of energy efficiency and know ways to make their home more energy efficient.	
	1. Direct students back to the worksheet (page 2)	
	2. Allow 2 minutes for students to independently do cooldown	
	<ol><li>Pair Share: Students turn to partners and share their answers for questions 3 to 5</li></ol>	
	4. Give correct answer and show slide	
	a. IMPORTANT: Reiterate that energy efficiency is the use of less energy to perform the same task or produce the same result.	
	<ul> <li>i. This can be achieved by:         Using LED lightbulbs, installing water-efficient showerheads to conserve hot water, and installing faucet aerators     </li> </ul>	
	ii. This is beneficial because it:  Saves money on energy, reduces the amount of energy that needs to be produced, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions	
5 min	COMMITMENT	Extra cards for
	<b>Goal:</b> Students know how to install the kit and commit to returning the Proof of Installation card	students  Extra cards for
	1. Take out kit and show its contents	students – Spanish
	2. Explain that to receive the \$1,000, students are expected to:	
	a. Take the kit home	
	b. Install the energy-saving items with an adult	
	c. Fill out the card with an adult	
	d. Bring back the card and give it to you	
	3. Have students sign the commitment at the bottom of the worksheet	
	<ul> <li>a. IMPORTANT: Call on students to check for understanding—65% of students must bring back the signed commitment to receive \$1,000 for their classroom.</li> </ul>	

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4. Hand out kits