

Unit 11 Written quiz audio script

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1. *Bob* I have a big car that uses a lot of gas, but I try not to use it too much. Like, instead of driving to work, I usually take the bus. Um, I have to use the car on weekends for shopping and when I go out, but I don't usually go very far when I do that. If I had the money, I'd buy a smaller car, but I just can't afford one right now.
2. *Melissa* We've been trying to make some changes around the house to save electricity. I, uh, turn down the air-conditioning, and I don't leave lights on around the house when we're not using them. It's tough, though, because the kids watch a lot of TV, and I'm on the computer all the time. Also, we have all these electronic gadgets that we use. So, like I said, it's tough.
3. *Jason* Well, I'm concerned about all the water we're using. I live in an area that doesn't have a lot, but, still, people take showers every day, wash down their driveways, and water their lawns all the time. I used to do all that, too, but I've changed my habits. Of course, I still take showers, but only three or four a week. I sweep my driveway, and now, I don't have a lawn. I put in drought-tolerant landscaping, so I don't have to water the yard at all.
4. *Annette* Well, I'm trying not to use things that are harmful to the environment. I buy environmentally friendly cleaning products to cut down on water pollution. I also buy organic produce – it's really easy to find organic stuff these days. Besides, some of the chemicals that are used on produce can be really dangerous. I'd rather buy produce I know is not going to be harmful to the environment.