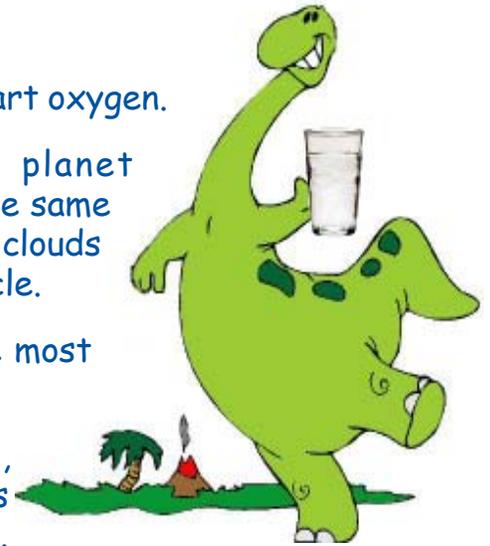


Some Amazing Things You Might Not Know About Water...

- ◆ H_2O -- water is made up of two parts hydrogen and one part oxygen.
- ◆ The overall amount of water on our planet has remained the same since the beginning of time. It's the same water the dinosaurs drank and it moves endlessly from sea to clouds to rain to Earth and back again. That's called the Water Cycle.
- ◆ Every living thing needs water to survive. Water is the most common substance found on Earth.
- ◆ A person can live without food for about a month, but only about a week without water. A healthy adult needs 2 quarts of water a day, but most people drink less than this.
- ◆ Water is the only substance on Earth that exists in all three forms -- solid (ice), liquid (water) and gas (steam).
- ◆ The Earth is called the water planet -- 80% of it is covered with water or ice, but only 2% of that water is drinkable.
- ◆ 4,000 glasses of tap water can be purchased for the same price of a six-pack of soft drink.
- ◆ About 6,800 gallons of water is required to grow a day's food for a family of four.
- ◆ The five Great Lakes form the largest fresh surface water system in the world. If all the water in the Great Lakes was spread evenly across the continental US, the ground would be covered with almost 10 feet of water.
- ◆ Americans use more than 400 billion gallons per day of both surface and ground water -- much of it consumed in and around the home. Two-thirds of the water used in an average home is used in the bathroom; much of it consumed by flushing the toilet. A 10-minute shower uses about 55 gallons of water.
- ◆ If every household in America had a faucet that dripped once each second, 928 million gallons of water a day would leak away down the drain!
- ◆ It takes almost 49 gallons of water to produce just one eight-ounce glass of milk. That includes water consumed by the cow and to grow the food she eats, plus water used to process the milk.



Now that you know...doesn't it make sense to use our precious water resources wisely?