

## **Vocabulary: verbs/nouns of 'using'**

### **SAVE, SPEND, USE, WASTE**

I. Remember the listening text? Choose the correct alternatives:

1. Americans **spend** / **use** an average of 770 litres of water every day!
2. You can **waste** / **spend** nine litres of water by leaving the tap on while you're cleaning your teeth.
3. The new system will **save** / **spend** a lot of water.
4. I **spend** / **use** about 20 minutes in the shower.

II. Which of these verbs can these nouns go with:

*electricity*      *money*      *paper*      *space*      *time*      *water*

<b>SAVE</b>	<b>SPEND</b>	<b>USE</b>	<b>WASTE</b>

III. Complete these sentences with the correct form of one of the verb noun collocations above.

1. I try to \_\_\_\_\_ by using envelopes again.
2. Turn the light off when you leave the room! You're \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Don't \_\_\_\_\_! Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth!
4. Although my apartment is extremely small, I know how to \_\_\_\_\_ wisely and it is not cluttered.
5. Going by train is rather slow. Why don't you fly to Athens and you'll \_\_\_\_\_.
6. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ all my birthday \_\_\_\_\_ on new clothes and make-up.

IV. Choose the correct alternative for each of these questions, then answer them.

1. How much money do you **spend** / **use** on soft drinks every week?

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2. How could you **save** / **spend** more water at home?

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3. Is there any **wasted** / **used** space in your bedroom?

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4. Do you think watching television is a **waste** / **saving** of time?

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5. Do you think you **waste** / **spend** a lot of electricity?

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6. How many **savings** / **uses** can you think of for a mirror?

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