**K-5 Developmental Progression**

**Common Core State Standard W.2 Informative/Explanatory Writing**

*Note: The following pieces were written after reading or listening to informational text about saving water. Students responded to the prompt: “What can you do to save water?” The stimulus text and full prompt for each grade level, as well as annotated versions of each of the pieces below are available at* [*www.achievethecore.org*](http://www.achievethecore.org)

When analyzing student work, please focus only on the content and language of the piece. Pieces were not chosen to show a grade level progression in conventions (capitalization, punctuation and spelling).

**File Name: IK Water Informational/Explanatory**

**Kindergarten, Fall**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Water**

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**File Name: IK Saving Water**

**Informative/Explanatory**

**Kindergarten, Spring**

**On-Demand Writing, Uniform Prompt**

**Saving Water**

*What can you do to save water?*

I am taking a baf Not all faLL.

I amsHuting off the wotr

I am filing the bucit up Not too Hiy

**File Name: I1P Saving Water Informational/Explanatory**

**Grade 1**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Saving Water**

**What can you do to save water?**

we need to save water! To save water do not fill up the tub all the way. if your fawsit is leking turn it of. if we didint save water we woldent have any.

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**File Name: I2P Water is Important Informational/Explanatory**

**Grade 2**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Water is Important**

Water is important You should help save water. And I am going to tell you how. 1 way is TuRN OFF The SINK AFTER YOu BRuSH Your TEETH! Another way is ONLY FILL YOuR BATHTuB UP HALF WAY! Also water is important so you should TAKE A SHORT SHOWer. Also WHEN YOU WASH YOUR HANDS DON'T LEAVE THE WATER RUNNING! These are the ways why you should help save water

**File Name: I3P Water Use**

**Informational/Explanatory**

**Grade 3**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Water Use**

What can I do to save water? Lots of people waste gallons of water a day. Some people don't evan have 5-2 gallons of water a day. We need water to drink, wash clothes, bath, and much more so we need to save water. One good way to save water is leave buckets outside to fill up with rain. Take quike showers. bathes take at least 37 gallons of water. Remind people to turn off the water when not in use. Lots of people wait for the water from there sink to get hot and cold. If you put a bucket in your sink when the bucket is full you can use that water for lots of things. When its winter take buckets of snow and melt it then you have buckets of water to use. When its summer if you have a squirt gun use water from a toy that has water in it. If theres anything leaking water make sure to get it fixed right away. Don't buy water in a plastic container because plastic palute the eath. Please Save Water.

**File Name: I4P Conserving Water Informational/Explanatory**

**Grade 4**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Conserving Water**

Conserving water is a great way to help the earth. Without our water, plants, humans, and animals, would not be able to live. We need to save water because we will eventuly run out of it. Then we will have to use and drink saltwater. It is extremly expensive to filter salt water. This why we need save water. What can you do to save water?

One way you can save water is by getting a rain barrel. Rain barrels collect water so that you can water your plants with recycled water. Recycled water is better for plants because it is more naturail. Recycled water also have good nutrients.

Another way you can save water is by getting an airrating facet and shower head. These items use less water but make it feels the same because of more pressure. One more way you can save water is when you go in the sprinkelers in the summer, make sure it is in a spot where it is watering the lawn.

One ways my family saves water is by turning off the water when you brush your teeth. Water is the most important natural resorce of all with out water, we would die. If we ran out of water, as I said, we would die. So if you think dieing is bad, try to conserve water as best you can.

**File Name: I5P Saving Water**

**Informational/Explanatory**

**Grade 5**

**On Demand Writing- Uniform Prompt**

**Saving Water**

Did you know that you can save your homes water by just by doing things each day? You can put a bucket outside to cacth rainwater or use wipes to wash tables instead of water. There are many ways to save water, you can do things outside and inside to help save water. Here are some ideas.

There are many things to do inside your house to help save water. You can change your toilet, facet, and shower head to low flow. Also, you can take small, short showers instead of baths. you can turn off the facet when brushing your teeth and when lathering soap in your hands. When waiting for water to warm up save the water and reuse. over all there are alot of things you can do inside to save your homes water.

There are many things to do outside your house to help save water. First you can go to an automated carwash or use a waterless car wash. When you do a car wash at home you waste more water. Also you can dump out your water bottle on plants and grass insted of dumping it down the drain. Reuse water outside as much as possible. You can also put a bucket of water outside to catch rainwater and use for watering plants or grass. Over all there are alot of ways to save water outside of your house.

There are many ways to save your homes water outside and inside. Kids and adults can make a big difference to save water. Imagine if everyone in the cantry turned of the facet when brushing thier teeth, we could save enogh water to refill a lake! Over all it is important to save water inside and outside your house.