

## Good Tips

### Window Cleaning

1 cup vinegar  
1/2 cup ammonia  
2 tbsp cornstarch  
put in a pail of warm water---use a sponge mop or towel to put on the window  
rinse off with the hose  
DO NOT TOUCH THE WINDOW AFTER HOSE RINSE

### Moth Repellant

Newspaper is a great moth repellant. Remember this when storing items.

### Shower Doors

Wipe the doors with a bounce cloth or with a rag soaked in baby oil or WD-40 to prevent scum buildup.

### Roach Killer

4 T. Boric Acid powder (purchase OTC)  
2 T. Flour  
3 T. Cocoa  
Mix dry ingredients, place in small containers around the house. Change to new every 4 months. Guaranteed to work. Watch those boogers fall.

### Foil And Other Wrap Boxes Lock

Have you ever tried to pull some foil out and the roll comes out of the box. Then you have to put the roll back in the box and start over. There is a locking tab on the bottom of each box of foil and other wraps. Look for the "Press here to lock end". Right there on the end of the box is a tab to lock the roll in place.

### Rain Gauge

**Add a few drops of food coloring to rain gauge. Even if the water dries up, there will be enough residue to help read the next rainfall.**

### Preserve Newspaper Clippings

1. Mix a 1/2 liter bottle of club soda and 2 T of Milk of Magnesia
  2. Pour this into a cake pan.
  3. Put in the newspaper clipping and allow to soak for a few hours.
  5. Place clipping on paper towel to dry.
- This will keep for 50 + years.

### Picture Hanging

**Heat the nail with a match before driving it into plaster wall to prevent chipping of plaster.**

### Reheat Pizza

Heat up leftover pizza in a non-stick skillet on top of the stove, set heat to med-low and heat till warm. This keeps the crust crispy. No soggy micro pizza. I saw this on the cooking channel and it really works.

### Easy Deviled Eggs

Put cooked egg yolks in a zip lock bag. Seal, mash till they are all broken up. Add remainder of ingredients, reseal, keep mashing it up mixing thoroughly, cut the tip of the baggy, squeeze mixture into egg. Just throw bag away when done easy clean up.

### Expanding Frosting

When you buy a container of cake frosting from the store, whip it with your mixer for a few minutes. You can double it in size. You get to frost more cake/cupcakes with the same amount. You also eat less sugar/calories per serving.

### Reheating refrigerated bread

To warm biscuits, pancakes, or muffins that were refrigerated, place them in a microwave with a cup of water. The increased moisture will keep the food moist and help it reheat faster.

### Newspaper weeds away

Start putting in your plants, work the nutrients in your soil. Wet newspapers put layers around the plants overlapping as you go cover with mulch and forget about weeds. Weeds will get through some gardening plastic they will not get through wet newspapers.

### Broken Glass

Use a dry cotton ball to pick up little broken glass pieces of glass - the fibers catch ones you can't see!

### No More Mosquitoes

Place a dryer sheet in your pocket. It will keep the mosquitoes away.

### Squirrel Away

To keep squirrels from eating your plants sprinkle your plants with cayenne pepper. The cayenne pepper doesn't hurt the plant and the squirrels won't come near it.

If you purchase a new bike for your child, place their picture inside the handle bar before placing the grips on. If the bike is stolen and later recovered, remove the grip and there is your proof who owns the bike.

### Flexible vacuum

To get something out of a heat register or under the fridge add an empty paper towel roll or empty gift wrap roll to your vacuum. It can be bent or flattened to get in narrow openings.

### Reducing Static Cling

Pin a small safety pin to the seam of your slip and you will not have a clingy skirt or dress. Same thing works with slacks that cling when wearing pantyhose. Place pin in seam of slacks and - voila - static is gone.

#### Measuring Cups

Before you pour sticky substances into a measuring cup, fill it with hot water. Dump out the hot water, but don't dry the cup. Next, add your ingredient, such as peanut butter, and watch how easily it comes out.

#### Foggy Windshield?

Hate foggy windshields? Buy a chalkboard eraser and keep it in the glove box of your car. When the windows fog, rub with the eraser! Works better than a cloth!

#### Reopening envelope

If you seal an envelope and then realize you forgot to include something inside, just place your sealed envelope in the freezer for an hour or two. Voila! It unseals easily.

#### Conditioner

Use your hair conditioner to shave your legs. It's a lot cheaper than shaving cream and leaves your legs really smooth. It's also a great way to use up the conditioner you bought but didn't like when you tried it in your hair.

#### Goodbye Fruit Flies

To get rid of pesky fruit flies, take a small glass fill it 1/2" with Apple Cider Vinegar and 2 drops of dish washing liquid, mix well. You will find those flies drawn to the cup and gone forever!

#### Get Rid of Ants

Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it "home," & can't digest it so it kills them. It may take a week or so, esp. if it rains, but it works & you don't have the worry about pets or small children being harmed!

#### Take baby powder to the beach

Keep a small bottle of baby powder in your beach bag. When you are ready to leave the beach sprinkle yourself and kids with the powder and the sand will slide right off your skin.