



Wash your hands often.



Use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if you



can't wash your hands. Handwashing reduces respiratory illness

by about 20% —Centers for Disease



Control and Prevention

SECONDS You remove more germs if you

wash your hands for at least 20 seconds.

Mia sneezes and touches a doorknob.

How Germs Get Around

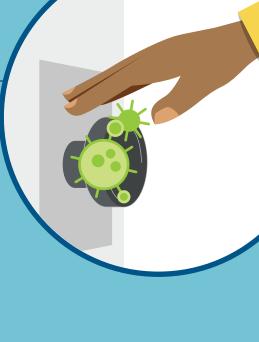


Germs transfer from Mia's hands onto the doorknob.

Chris touches the doorknob.

Chris rubs his eyes.

Germs get onto Chris's hands.



Avoid Contaminated Surfaces

Germs can live on surfaces for hours.

Smartphones Doorknobs Shopping



Carts





Gas Pumps



Store Credit



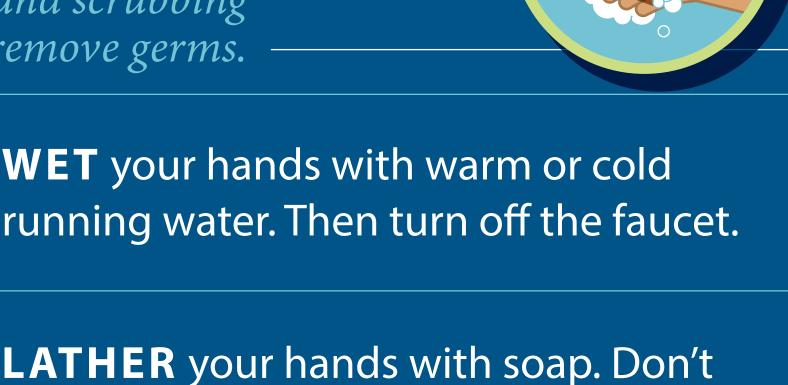
remove germs. **WET** your hands with warm or cold

CLEAN HANDS

5 STEPS TO

Soap and scrubbing

LATHER your hands with soap. Don't forget the backs of your hands, between



SCRUB

your fingers, and under your nails.

running water.

'choo!

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RINSE your hands with

like a long time at first.

for 20 seconds. Sing the

"Happy Birthday" song twice

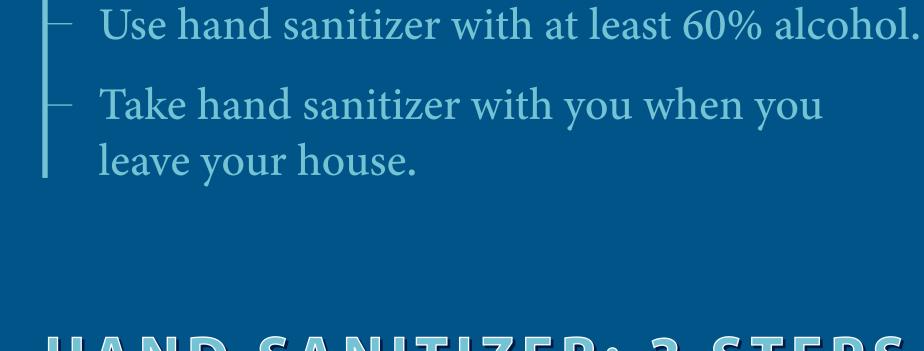
to get rid of all those germs.

Note: 20 seconds might feel

Use a towel to turn off the faucet. ELBOW GREASE

Use hand sanitizer if you don't have soap and water

remove all germs, but it's a



HAND SANITIZER: 3 STEPS

Don't wipe off hand sanitizerthat will reduce its effectiveness.

hand. Use enough to cover both hands.

Don't wear gloves to

Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

run errands—they could spread germs.

good alternative to handwashing. **TIPS**

Put hand sanitizer in the palm of your

What about gloves?

Don't reuse gloves.

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Wear gloves when cleaning and caring for sick people. Wash your hands before and after you wear disposable medical gloves. Throw away gloves as soon as you take them off.

Rub sanitizer all over your hands until they are dry—about 20 seconds.



