

How to Avoid a Shower or a Bath for as Long as Possible, or Even Longer

1. **DON'T FIGHT IT:** The more you protest a bath or shower, the greater the suspicion when you try to fake one. When Mom suggests getting in the water, get in that bathroom, Buster. Give somebody a “thumbs up” on the way there, even.
2. **GET THAT WATER RUNNING:** Too often, bath dodgers forget to turn on the water. Big mistake, friend! That’s the surest sign of shower fakery! (You will, however, have to “sacrifice” your arm. Place it under the water every 45 seconds for occasional splishy-splashy noises.)
3. **SINK IT:** It’s impossible to get away with avoiding a shower or bath without getting your hair a little moist and floral-scented. Solution? Plug the sink, run some water, and mix in a hint of shampoo. Swirl it around and flick a little on your head. Repeat until damp.
4. **MOVE STUFF:** If you were taking a real shower or bath, you probably wouldn’t put the soap or shampoo in the exact same place you found it, would you? Answer: Probably not.
5. **EMERGE:** With a towel wrapped around your neck, say these words: “Wow, I feel refreshed! G’night!” Get out of sight.
6. **BONUS:** Rubbing some Epsom salt under your armpits will help with the advancing odors.