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SYNOPSIS

What do you think about when you take a shower? Do you sing in the shower? How long are your showers: 5, 10, or 30 minutes? For Bia, every drop that hits her body sparks her brain to reflect on the very act of bathing. How much water is consumed in every second, minute, or hour of each shower? How much water is poured during her family's baths? And what about the families living in her building, her neighborhood, or her city—how much do they use? Bia's mind never stops in search of answers. The answer to one question leads to another, and another. The more she calculated and expanded her figures to more families, neighborhoods, and cities, the more her curiosity grew, along with her astonishment at staggering numbers and a whole city of showerheads. A shower of showerheads.

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