



Water for Life

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While reading

Chapter 1

- 1 Find the words in Chapter 1.
 - a You can see these on the sea. (p. 1)
 - b They happen when there is very little rain. (p. 3)
 - c Fires or factories make this. (p. 3)
 - d It is very hard, cold and usually white. (p. 3)
 - e When there is too much water, these happen and they kill plants and animals. (p. 4)
 - f They make people ill and can kill them. (p. 5)

2 Put the underlined letters in the right place to make a word.

- a crenasirhu begin over the sea and can be very big.
- b The dirty flood water goes into the ogudnr water.
- c nasoruged fires start every summer near Sydney.
- d Ice moves slowly down the nonatisum and into rivers.
- e People say there will be big beporlsm in the future.
- f Our children will live in a very fetnfried world.

Chapter 2

3 Put a word on the left with a word on the right.

- | | |
|--------|----------|
| thin | wet |
| large | outside |
| began | thick |
| die | small |
| dry | finished |
| inside | live |

4 Write questions for these answers.

- a How / ice / Greenland?
.....
Two kilometres.
- b Where / life?
.....
In the water.
- c Where / live / nine months?
.....
In water.

- d When / lose / water?
.....
When the weather is hot.
- e How / water / food?
.....
About a half.
- f How / water / fish?
.....
67%.

Chapter 3

5 Answer the questions.

- a Where does clean water come from?
.....
- b When does the air start to lose water?
.....
- c How much water comes from ground water in European and North American homes and workplaces?
.....
- d Where is ground water very important?
.....
- e Who takes the ground water from the pumps to the villages in dry countries like Saudi Arabia?
.....
- f How much more water is in ground water than in rivers and lakes?
.....

6 Finish the sentences.

- a In some countries, it doesn't rain for months and then suddenly.....
- b Warm air can carry more water than
- c When the air is very cold,
- d We have to clean the water before
- e Sometimes water is only two or three metres under the ground and sometimes it
- f More and more people need

Chapter 4

7 Write the words to finish the sentences.

- mother highest Egypt wells Appenine European
- a The people of lived next to the River Nile.



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- b People made and took fresh water from them.
- c The people in Persia called the first well the well.
- d The Romans brought water from the mountains to their cities.
- e The Romans took their ideas to other cities.
- f The Pont du Gard is the Roman waterway in Europe.

8 Circle the wrong word in the sentences.

- a People made wells and took a fresh water from them for their animals and plants.
- b The people in Persia went to at the high ground and studied it carefully.
- c The water ran from well to the well and then out into the land below.
- d The Persians took their clever ideas to up Arabia.
- e The Romans used waterways but in a best better way.
- f There are great Roman waterways in on France and Spain.

Chapter 5

9 Put the underlined letters in the right place to make a word.

- a We can stop llignutop fresh water and use it more carefully.
- b The weather is getting warmer and the ice is getmlni
- c When water changes to ice it gets gregbi
- d Antarctica is the ectlsdo land on Earth.
- e In every iceberg there are shsadnuto of litres of water.
- f To make rain from clouds is veepxeisn and does not always work.

10 Find the words in Chapter 5.

- a You use them to drink from. (p. 27)
- b A lot of ice floating in the sea that can be dangerous. (p. 28)
- c They are white and you can see them in the sky. (p. 30)
- d A place where people make things. (p. 31)

- e It's something you put on your food. (p. 31)
- f It's a word to say when something costs a lot of money. (p. 31)

Chapter 6

11 Finish the sentences with the right word.

- paper rich baths floods dam fish chemicals
- a In the United Kingdom people use 60 litres of water for and clean clothes.
 - b Too much rain causes
 - c 3% of in Russian shops came from the Aral Sea.
 - d Today, there is a new across one end of the Aral Sea.
 - e Factories use 400 litres of water for one kilo of
 - f Farmers put a lot of on the land.
 - g People in countries have to think about how they use water.

12 Circle the right word.

- a *Five / Ten* thousand children die everyday because their water carries diseases.
- b In Australia, the drought problem is getting *better / worse*.
- c The Yellow River runs across *China / Russia*.
- d Chemicals in the land make the plants bigger and *greener / stronger*.
- e Getting water from ice and sea water is difficult and *expensive / dangerous*.
- f 90% of the rivers in *Asia / Europe* have chemicals in them.

After reading

13 Circle a number to show what you think is the most dangerous to people in your country.

1 is a not dangerous and 5 is a very dangerous. Talk to a friend. Do you think the same? Then think about these problems in other countries.

Hurricanes	1	2	3	4	5
Floods	1	2	3	4	5
Droughts	1	2	3	4	5
Pollution	1	2	3	4	5
Waves	1	2	3	4	5



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1 Finish the sentences with the right word.

Spain Bermuda Persia Bangladesh Australia
Asia Britain Rome United States Arctic

- a There is water everywhere in but the people can't drink it.
- b The big rivers in the south-west of are often dry.
- c In many places in the the ice is dangerous.
- d Every year there are 500,000 new wells in the
- e The people of built waterways in about 2,500 BC.
- f The Aqua Claudia waterway brought water to the city of
- g There are great Roman waterways in France and today.
- h The Titanic was on its way from to the United States.
- i An iceberg made a journey of 4,000 kilometres to
- j The Aral Sea is in

2 Answer these questions.

- a Where did Hurricane Katrina hit in August 2005?
.....
- b Why are the Arctic animals dying?
.....
- c How long can we live without food?
.....
- d Where do rivers go?
.....
- e Who took their clever ideas to Arabia?
.....
- f Where do they call the waterways *qanats*?
.....
- g When was the last ice age?
.....
- h What makes icebergs move?
.....
- i What is the Aral Sea today?
.....
- j What began in 1992 in Rio de Janeiro?
.....

3 Circle the right words.

- a Our world is changing *fast / slowly*.
- b In the *summer / winter* more of Bangladesh is under water.

- c Greenland is a large country in the *Arctic / Antarctic*.
- d The air takes up *fresh / salty* water from the sea.
- e When the air gets colder it starts to *take up / lose* water.
- f When the Nile flooded the land, it made it *good / bad* for farming.
- g The Romans made *worse / better* waterways than the Persians.
- h Nearly all an iceberg is *below / above* the water.
- i When aeroplanes put chemicals into the clouds, they *sometimes / always* make rain.
- j In the United States there are *many / not many* people without clean water.

4 Circle the wrong word in the sentences.

- a Warmer air above warmer seas can cause hurricanes.
- b In the Maldives, a lot of land is only the metre above the sea.
- c There is a lot of water of on the Earth.
- d Most people don't live in at the mountains.
- e Sometimes ground water is only two or three metres inside under the ground.
- f Some waterways in Persia were a hundred kilometres longer long.
- g Behind a dam there is a big lake of on fresh water.
- h People in Australia live in big cities next near the sea.
- i Too many much rain causes floods.
- j People need of houses, clothes and cars.

5 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Some people say that without the ice on Greenland, the seas will be one metre lower.
- b Some people think that countries will fight about water.
- c There were animals on the land when life first began.
- d When the air gets warmer, we can see clouds.
- e More than half the water people use in Europe and North America comes from ground water.
- f Between ice ages, the Earth is very cold.
- g In 1912, the *Titanic* was the biggest ship in the world.
- h World Water Day began in 1992, in London.
- i To take salt out of sea water is a very new idea.
- j Farms cause more problems of pollution than factories in most countries.