



## Connecting Experience Water Facts

AGE GROUP

11+

AMOUNT OF PEOPLE

4+

TIME

30 MINS – 1 HOUR

OBJECTIVE

To learn about water across the world.

MATERIAL

Paper and pens



### Instructions

Begin by splitting participants into small groups and giving each group paper and pens.

In their groups, participants should write down what they think access to water is like in different countries, and what impact not having access to water can have.

Groups should present their thoughts, and then discuss these thoughts along with the facts below:

- ▶ 844 million people don't have clean water close to home
- ▶ 2.3 billion people don't have a decent toilet of their own
- ▶ 31% of schools don't have clean water
- ▶ A new-born baby dies from an infection caused by lack of safe water and an unclean environment every minute
- ▶ Diarrhoea caused by dirty water and poor toilets kills a child under five every two minutes
- ▶ Around the world up to 443 million school days are lost every year because of water-related illnesses
- ▶ The average distance that women in Africa and Asia walk to collect water is six kilometres (3.7 miles)
- ▶ In Sub-Saharan Africa, women and girls spend 40 billion hours a year collecting water. This is the same amount of time as a year's worth of work by the entire work force of France
- ▶ Many girls' school attendance is impacted by them having to spend their mornings walking long distances to collect water



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