

Water

Water is very important for the Earth, our planet. People can't live on the Earth without water. There are two kinds of water on Earth: salt water and fresh water. People can only drink fresh water. We can't drink salt water.

Fresh water can be a problem for people. We can only use about one per cent of fresh water. The other 99 per cent of fresh water is in difficult places to get to. About 70 per cent of the fresh water on Earth is in Antarctica, at the South Pole, in the ice and icebergs.

Water has an amazing cycle. Rain falls, water goes into the rivers and most rivers go to the oceans. When it's sunny the ocean water gets warm and it goes up into the sky again.

People can't waste water. In Europe and countries like the USA and Canada, a person can use about 500 litres of water every day. An African family can use only 20 litres every day.

In some places people walk long distances to get water every day because they don't have water at home. They get water from rivers or lakes and sometimes this water is dirty and people get sick. About 85 per cent of diseases of the world are caused by drinking dirty water.

• 1.- People can't live without _____.

- a) Water b) mobile phones c) computers

• 2.- There are _____ kinds of water.

- a) twenty b) two hundred c) two

• 3.- People can only drink _____ water.

a) Dirty b) fresh c) salt

• 4.- People can only use about _____ per cent of fresh water.

a) One- hundred b) one-thousand c) one

• 5.- About _____ per cent of fresh water is in Antarctica.

a) 70 b) 7 c) 17

• 6.- When it's _____ the ocean water gets warm.

a) Sunny b) cold c) windy

• 7.- People _____ waste water.

a) Can b) should c) cant

• 8.- An European can use about _____ litres of water every day.

- a) 500 b) 50 c) 5000

• 9.- An African family can use only _____ litres every day.

- a) 2 b) 20 c) 200

• 10.- Sometimes the water is dirty and people get _____.

- a) Sick b) happy d) rich