Global Issues ■ Hunger

Classes might want to learn more about ...

- Canadian government agencies that provide international food aid (e.g. CIDA)
- non-government development organizations (e.g. World Vision, OXFAM, CUSO, the Canadian Hunger Organization)
- **①** UN organizations (UNICEF, WFO)
- (i) local food banks
- interrelationship between globalization and poverty at a local level

Learners find it useful to ...

- wse telephone books (hardcopy or on-line) to find addresses and telephone numbers
- highlight important information in publications that address issues of poverty and hunger
- access the Internet in public places for information

Suggested Resources

- Brochures from world aid organizations such as: OXFAM, World Vision, Red Cross
- World Vision Canada publication: Myth Busters!
- World Vision Canada video: "Hunger: Not so Far Away"
- Guest speakers from organizations that deal with eliminating poverty and hunger

 The World Hunger Program:

 http://www.brown.edu/Departments/World_Hunger_Program/hungerweb/WHP/overview.html

 OXFAM International: http://www.oxfamamerica.org/OI.HTML
- Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA): http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/index.htm
- hunger, world hunger

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Topic Outcomes

By the end of this topic, learners will be able to:

- agree, disagree with opinions about causes of hunger
- identify main idea in a paragraph about poverty or hunger
- understand information in news items and brochures
- write a short text about poverty and hunger

Language Focus

Items to help learners achieve the outcomes:

- vocabulary (starvation, malnutrition, famine, food relief, food deprivation)
- modals for suggestions (You might want to...)
- real conditional (If we try to help others, there will be less poverty in the world.)
- unreal conditionals (*They would send food relief if they had enough resources.*)
- basic paragraph-writing conventions
- pronunciation: intonation patterns and word stress in conditional sentences

Sample Language Tasks

- **1.** Brainstorm and list the main causes of hunger.
- 2. Read "Myth Buster" text (see Suggested Resources) about poverty and hunger. Compare facts to myths.
- **3.** Write a letter or email a message to an international development agency (e.g. OXFAM International, Red Cross, etc.) requesting information about food relief efforts.

Sample Computer Tasks

Computer Levels: All

Computer Skills: Internet basics, browsers, search engines, search types, URL, Bookmarks/ Favorites, Hyperlink

Search the Internet on Hunger by entering appropriate key words (e.g. hunger, world hunger) in the search box. Present findings to class.

Computer Skills: Keyboarding, Save As, Letter Wizard

Word-process the letter or email message in Language Task 3.

Computer Skills: Open/Close application, select and navigate through options, mouse skills

Ellis-Master Pronunciation-Speech Acts-Conversing-Agree and Disagree, Disagree Politely

Global Issues ■ Population

Classes might want to learn more about ...

- ilife expectancy in the world and in Canada
- migration patterns
- ① attitudes toward birth / population control
- family planning in Canada and home country
- the implications of an ageing population
- government incentive programs related to family planning in Canada and other countries

Learners find it useful to ...

- ♦ learn what factors influence life expectancy
- access community agencies for help and advice on issues of family planning
- wise the Internet in public libraries to look for information
- practise expressions for agreeing, disagreeing with another's point of view; learn which expressions are appropriate for formal/informal situations
- practise expressing strong or mild agreement/disagreement
- organize information in a logical way to help others understand it

Suggested Resources

- **Statistics Canada publications**
- **CBC** News in Review: World Population: Controlling the Explosion

Statistics Canada: http://www.statcan.ca

World population: http://www.stats.demon.nl. Click: the World. Click pop.I, pop.II, or pop.98 UN

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Global Issues - Population

Topic Outcomes

By the end of this topic, learners will be able to:

- give suggestions about how to deal with growing world population
- express necessity and reason when discussing solutions to world overpopulation
- agree and disagree with statements about causes of overpopulation
- identify main idea and supporting points in a text about population
- write a short text about the impact of overpopulation

Language Focus

Items to help learners achieve the outcomes:

- vocabulary (population density, birth control, baby boom, overpopulated)
- modals for necessity and suggestions
- simple tenses in declarative and negative forms
- real conditionals (If we don't find solutions to overpopulation, we will have many problems in the future.)
- pronunciation: intonation and word stress patterns in conditional sentences

Sample Language Tasks

- 1. Debate state control versus individual choice in matters of family planning.
- **2.** Read a text on population issues. Find the main idea and supporting points.
- **3.** Write a paragraph about possible implications of the growing world population.

Sample Computer Tasks

Computer Levels: Novice-Advanced

Computer Skills: Create a worksheet, Insert/Edit Cell, Format Cell, Create Chart, Print Chart

Experienced/Advanced: Insert demographic and other information about 5 countries in a worksheet.

Follow instructions to chart the data and print for display in class.

Computer Skills: Open/Close application, select and navigate through options, mouse skills

All levels: Ellis-Master Pronunciation-Speech Acts-Getting Things Done-Offer Suggestions

-Conversing-Agree and Disagree, Disagree Politely

Global Issues ■ The UN & Canada

Classes might want to learn more about ...

- the role of the UN in world peace
- **(1)** how the UN operates
- ① different departments in the UN (e.g. Security Council)
- ① UN agreements (e.g. Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty)
- contemporary world issues

Learners find it useful to ...

- wise dictionary for unfamiliar words
- highlight information when reading pamphlets
- ♦ watch news programs about UN activities
- **access the Internet for information**

Suggested Resources

- Read On Canada
- Government publications on Canadian peacekeeping missions

The Canadian Peacebuilding Initiative: http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/peacebuilding/

United Nations: http://www.un.org/

UN peacekeeping operations: http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/

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Global Issues ■ The UN & Canada

Topic Outcomes

By the end of this topic, learners will be able to:

- express worry or concern about current world issues
- express necessity and reason pertaining to Canada's involvment in peacekeeping missions
- agree and disagree with Canada's participation in UN missions
- understand information in news items about contemporary world issues
- write a short text about Canada's role in the UN

Language Focus

Items to help learners achieve the outcomes:

- vocabulary (peacekeeping, international relations, Security Council, UNICEF)
- adjectives followed by prepositions (worried about, disappointed with, challenged by)
- simple tenses
- wh-questions
- modals for obligation and necessity (should, must)
- compound sentences
- pronunciation: adjectives with -ed endings

Sample Language Tasks

- 1. Debate whether Canada should continue to be involved in peacekeeping missions.
- **2.** Read a text about Canada's UN peacekeeping missions. In a list of sentences, find the statements that are not correct.
- **3.** Research and complete a chart about Canada's peacekeeping missions (countries, dates, activities).

Sample Computer Tasks

Computer Levels: All

Computer Skills: Internet basics, browsers, search engines, search types, URL, Bookmarks/ Favorites,

Hyperlink

Research Language Task 2 on the Internet by entering appropriate key words (e.g. united nations, peace building) in the search box.

Computer Skills: Open/Close application, select and navigate through options, Mouse Tutorial Explore Canada-**History-Canada Today-Page 11-Canada and the world-Levels 1 & 2**