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ASSIGNMENT:

Water Shortages Around the World Questions

1. List the top 3 facts that you found most interesting/disturbing.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
2. Which kills more people, wars/conflict or water?
3. What is physical scarcity?
4. Give 2 examples of physical scarcity.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
5. What is economic scarcity?
6. Where is economic scarcity found the most?
7. Give 2 ways to help reduce economic water scarcity.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
8. Using the map, which areas have the least water scarcity? The most?
 - a. Least: _____
 - b. Most: _____
9. List 2 places in the U.S. where water is becoming scarce.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
10. When do scientists estimate that Lake Mead will run dry? _____
11. List 3 things that contribute to water shortages in the U.S.
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
12. Over _____ of the world's schools do not have access to clean, safe water.
13. Sanitation facilities are: _____
14. Explain why a lack of clean water has a negative effect on academic performance and attendance.

15. How does not having clean water relate to gender equality (boys and girls being treated equally)?

16. How does not having clean water relate to poverty?

Short Answer Questions

Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Give THOUGHTFUL answers!

1. What can we do to help monitor and maintain good water quality?
2. Compare how much water you think you used with how much water you actually used? Were you close? Were you surprised by how much water you used?
3. Hog farms are a major source of water pollution in NC. What could be done to help fix this?
4. Which kind of water scarcity, physical or economic, is worse? What can we do to help?
5. What do you think is the most important reason that everyone needs access to clean, safe water?
6. Were you surprised to learn that water is becoming scarce in the US? What should we do and why?
7. Do you think we will ever run out of freshwater? What would we have to do then? What is the problem with this?
8. What kind of impact do water shortages have on the environment (not just humans)?