

## WORLD HUNGER QUIZ

1. How many people in the world lack access to safe drinking water?
  - a. 1 million
  - b. 10.5 million
  - c. 1.3 billion
2. According to the UNDP, 1.3 billion people live on less than \$1 per day. How many people live on less than \$2 per day?
  - a. 3 billion
  - b. 500 million
  - c. 20 million
3. People in the United States spend \$8 billion annually on cosmetics. Europeans spend \$11 billion annually on ice cream. Combined, this is more than what it would cost to provide basic education or water and sanitation to the more than \_\_\_\_\_ people worldwide who go without schools and toilets.
  - a. 800 million
  - b. 2 billion
  - c. 3.5 billion
4. Women produce up to \_\_\_\_% of the world's food?
  - a. 45%
  - b. 80%
  - c. 95%
5. The number of people who die from hunger every day is equivalent to more than \_\_\_\_\_% of the people who die in a jumbo jet crash with no survivors.
  - a. 50
  - b. 100
  - c. 300
6. The average person in the United States consumes 3,600 calories each day. The recommended calories for people to have each day to meet the minimum needs is 2,100. What is the average daily calorie intake of people in Mozambique?
  - a. 2,100
  - b. 1,632
  - c. 3,249
7. 20% of the world's population consumes \_\_\_\_\_% of the world's resources?
  - a. 20%
  - b. 55%
  - c. 86%

## World Hunger Quiz - Answers

1. (c) **1.3 billion people.** (Oxfam, 1997) 80% of the sickness and disease in the world results from water pollution or unsafe water and poor sanitation.
2. (a) **3 billion people.** The combined wealth of the 225 world's richest people, around \$1 trillion, is equal to the annual income of the poorest 47 per cent of the world's population, some 2.5 billion people.
3. (b) **2 billion.** (1998 Human Development Report: Oxford University) For these 2 billion people it would cost \$6 billion to provide basic education and \$9 billion to provide clean water and sanitation.
4. (b) **80%.** Despite the fact that women produce up to 80% of the world's food, women and children are the ones who suffer the most from hunger and malnutrition. In many countries, women are forbidden to own or control the land even though they do the most work on it. Despite being less financially secure than men, women in the developing world still contribute most of the money that goes toward food for their family's nutrition. Much of the women's agricultural and domestic work is called *invisible*. This means that it is not acknowledged on countries national income accounts. The International Labor Organization estimates that women's agricultural and domestic work would be worth \$4 trillion per year if it was accounted for.
5. (c) **300.** (Christian Aid, 1993) Every day 35,000 people die of hunger. Every year, 13 . 18 million people die from hunger and malnutrition.
6. (b) **1,632.** (Bread for the World, 1998)
7. (c) **86%.** Rich nations have been reducing population growth while simultaneously increasing consumption. While 20% of people in high-income countries account for 86% of private consumption, the poorest 20% of the world's people consume only 1.3 per cent of the pie. (1998 Human Development Report: Oxford University)

*This Hunger Quiz was adapted from Catholic Relief Services' Food Fast, a 24-hour experiential hunger awareness program for student in grades 8-12. Food Fast provides opportunities for students to join in solidarity with the poor around the world and educates them about their rights and responsibilities to assist the poor. For more information on Food Fast or to order free materials please call 1-800-222-0025, ext. 750 or visit the Catholic Relief Services website, [www.catholicrelief.org](http://www.catholicrelief.org)*