Worksheet 4.4: Water wars and water stress

Water wars

Read the article on water wars [here](http://www.pearsonhotlinks.co.uk/url.aspx?urlid=70883).

Questions

**1** What is the trend in violence over water? *[1 mark]*

less water, more violence as they fight for resources.

**2** Why is it happening? *[2 marks]*

resources are depleting and people need it to survive.

**3** Could there be a World War over water? *[2 marks]*

unlikely, but violence is erupting between states surrounding water and are dependent on it.

**4** Outline an example of a corporation (TNC) that has come into conflict with a government/population over water. *[2 marks]*

Coca-Cola, use of the water in India and are being protested against.

Water stress

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Questions

**5** How is water stress measured? *[1 mark]*

available water per capita

**6** Outline the distribution of regions with a high water stress. *[3 marks]*

dryer countries, deserts, poor and rural areas (Sahara, Arab Gulf, Australia)

**7** How are countries such as China, UAE and South Korea overcoming water stress? *[3 marks]*

using water rich lands for agriculture in developing nations to ensure security.

Water stewardship

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Question

**8** What is meant by water stewardship? *[2 marks]*

Taking care of water, maintaining their levels in certain bodies of water, and ensuring that they remain stable and not depleting.