

Hunger Pretest

Objective:

Participants will be pre-tested to determine their knowledge of hunger. Leaders will have a better understanding of what the participants' knowledge base is.

Set Up and Materials:

The Hunger Pretest can be conducted in several ways. Materials will vary in accordance to which option you choose. You may want to put these questions on a PowerPoint presentation so everyone can see the questions and options.

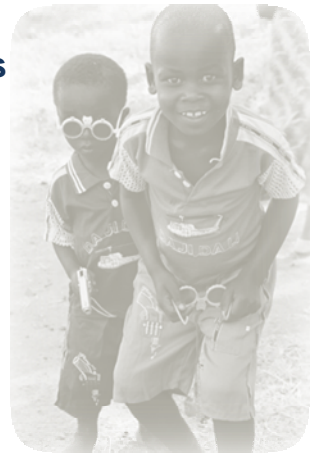
Activity Instructions:

Option 1: Divide participants into teams and have them answer questions as a team with one person recording the answer. Count how many correct answers each team has and give prizes to top teams.

Option 2: Play "Who wants to be a Millionaire" style and pick one contestant to sit in the "Hot Seat." Assign point values for each question. Ask contestant the pretest questions. Just as in "Millionaire," contestants can use lifelines such as polling the audience, half/half (remove half the wrong answers), and calling a friend to help. This ensures the rest of the participants are involved.

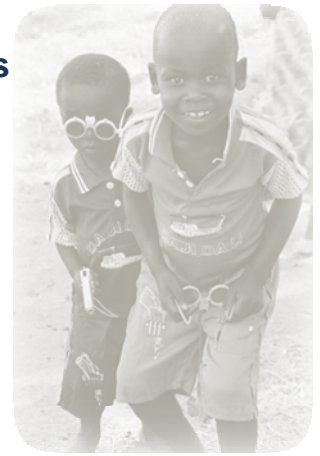
Option 3: Divide participants into two teams and make each question a "face off" between one representative from each team. After the question is read, the first participant to slap in (using a buzzer or a hard table surface) gets to answer the question. If the first team gets it wrong, the second team can steal the question. Assign point values for each question.

Make this fun! Add funny questions that are unique to your group. They may be local sports questions or questions about your leaders the kids will find funny.



Pretest Questions:

1. How many billion people are there in the world?
a. 2.5 b. 5 c. 6.2 d. 10
2. _____ children in the world under the age of five die every year as a result of hunger.
a. 200,000 b. 450,000 c. 3 million d. 6 million
3. How many people in the world live on less than one dollar per day?
a. 1.2 billion b. 200 c. 890,000 d. 5.6 million
4. Each day in the developing world, more than _____ children die of mostly preventable and treatable causes.
a. 100 b. 30,000 c. 5,000 d. 1.5 million
5. Virtually every country in the world has the potential of growing sufficient food on a sustainable basis.
a. True b. False
6. The richest five percent of the world's people have incomes _____ times that of the poorest five percent.
a. 5 b. 12 c. 87 d. 114
7. _____ people die each year from lack of healthy water.
a. 5,500 b. 875,000 c. 12 million d. 48 million
8. More than _____ million people in the world are malnourished.
a. 840 b. 675 c. 550 d. 12



Pretest Answers:

1. **C** The world's population is approximately 6.2 billion people.
2. **D** Six million under the age of five die every year as a result of hunger. In developing countries, 91 children out of 1,000 die before their fifth birthday. By comparison, in the United States eight children in 1,000 will die before turning five years old.
3. **A** 1.2 billion people live on less than one dollar a day. That is a significant percentage of the world's total population of 6.2 billion.
4. **B** Each day in the developing world, more than 30,000 children die of mostly preventable and treatable causes such as diarrhea, chronic respiratory infections, measles, or malaria. These diseases are far more deadly to children who are stunted or underweight.
5. **True** Virtually every country in the world has the potential of growing sufficient food on a sustainable basis. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations has set the minimum requirement for caloric intake per person per day at 2,350. Worldwide, there are 2,805 calories available per person per day. Fifty-four countries fall below that requirement; they do not produce enough food to feed their populations, nor can they afford to import the necessary commodities to make up the gap. Most of these countries are in sub-Saharan Africa.
6. **D** The richest five percent of the world's people have incomes 114 times that of the poorest five percent.
7. **C** 12 million people die each year from lack of water, including three million children from waterborne disease: 1.1 billion lack access to clean water; 2.4 billion live without decent sanitation; and four billion without wastewater disposal.
8. **A** More than 840 million people in the world are malnourished—799 million of them are from the developing world.