## **Climate Change II: Water**

**Tues: Library Tues: Consumerism / marks Wed: Pinebeetles & Pipelines** Thurs: Essay due / MCQ / **Conciousness** Fri: Government

Agenda : 1. Olympic closing: What does it mean to **be Canadian? 2. Super Survey! 3. Mark Homework** 4. Draft Outline for Assmt 5. Water Ppt & discussion points 6. Water policy group pres

Block C – ACADEMIC VOCABULARY used in MDG written work

- Torture Ermi
- Incentive Igor
- Embellish Garett
- Intriguing *Madi*
- Procedures *Patrick*
- Peaceful Hanlin
- Crude Trista

- Survive Judy
- Trafficking Iris
- Scarcity Alex
  - Representative Ryan
- Purchasing Lauren
  Refreshment Jordan
  - Effective Lin

#### Nice work folks 🙂

## Why did we cover so much?

- The more the information is repeated or used, the more likely it is to eventually end up in long-term memory, or to be "retained."
- (That's why studying helps people to perform better on tests.)

# That day when the North Pole became a lake...

#### North Pole - July 22, 2013 CLIMATE CHANGED.

## Where is this?













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#### Fresh Water

• Important facts:

- Only 3% of the world's water is fresh water.
- 18% of the world's surface fresh water is in the Great Lakes.
- Most fresh water is either frozen or underground.

# Why are we worried about water supply?

#### Water Supply

- The world's population is constantly growing.
- Each person needs at least 5 liters of water per day.
- In developed countries, most people use over 200 liters per day!
- Result: Groundwater and surface water resources are dwindling.

#### Aral Sea



## The problem of population growth

- The more people our planet has, the more food we need to grow.
- Result: More water is used to irrigate land for farming.
- Result: Water tables are falling all over the world.

#### Water shortages around the world:



#### ONLY ONCE YOU HAVE CARRIED YOUR OWN WATER, WILL YOU LEARN THE VALUE OF EVERY DROP

## Why is depleting groundwater resources dangerous?

- Farmers will have to rely in seasonal rains farms will yield fewer crops.
- Poor countries with growing populations will depend on imports of food for survival.
- The land above the water table may subside as the water table falls. This is the reason why New Orleans was completely flooded for weeks after it was hit by Hurricane Katrina.

#### Consequences: 2005





#### Drought Threatens to Cripple California Agriculture Industry

BY MIGUEL ALMAGUER AND DANIEL ARKIN

# Can the depletion of ground water lead to a world wide famine?



#### Surface Water Supply



#### Threats to surface water

• Surface water will always be present as it is renewed all the time by the water cycle.

 However, the amount of surface water we can safely use is decreasing as a result of:

Pollution

#### How is surface water polluted?

Municipal waste (sewage, detergents, solvents, garbage)

Agricultural waste (herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers)

• Industrial waste (chemicals, oil, waste)



#### We may start seeing more of these...



#### Ocean Pollution : the North West Gyre









#### **HOW LONG UNTIL IT'S GONE?**

Estimated decomposition rates of common marine debris items



composition and evironmental conditions.

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iouron: NOAA (National Dosanic and Atmospheric Administration), US / Woods Hole Sea Grant, US Graphics: Ofiver Lidde / Museum für Gestaltung Zürich, ZHoK

#### Canada's Role

- Victoria and Halifax dump untreated sewage into the oceans.
- Pulp mills provide 50% of industrial waste in the Fraser River.
- The Fraser Valley and Vancouver dump 90% of the municipal waste found in the river.









#### Consequences

- Fish, such as sturgeon, in the Fraser River are becoming endangered.
- In the St. Lawrence River, Beluga whales are declining in numbers.
- Algae and weeds are growing more often, depleting the water's oxygen and creating dead zones.
- In the Okanagan region, milfoil weed is threatening to destroy all other life present in lakes.

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Right whales are the rarest of all large whales. They were named by whalers who thought that they were the "right" whale to hunt because they were slower than other species, floated after they were killed, and provided large quantities of food, oil and baleen. Despite being protected, the right whales are still the most endangered of all whales. There are only a few hundred of them left.

## **MAY 13**



#### It takes...

one kilogram of BEEF

10 liters	40 liters
of water to make	of water to make
one sheet of PAPER	one slice of BREAD
70 liters of water to make one APPLE	80 liters
91 liters	120 liters
of water to make	of water to make
one pound of PLASTIC	one glass of WINE
140 liters of water to make one cup of COFFEE	1,300 liters of water to make one kilogram of WHEAT
4,800 liters	10,855 liters
of water to make	of water to make
one kilogram of PORK	one pair of JEANS
15,500 liters	16,600 liters

one kilogram of LEATHER