National & Global Instability

Inequalities



- Domestic inequalities often result in social and political tensions that threaten social order.
- International inequalities may do the same on a global scale.

Haves and Have Nots

- The "haves" tend to hold tenaciously to what is theirs.
- The "have nots" respond fatalistically or strive to increase their share.
- Violent confrontation may result.



Internal Instability



- Wars of secession have wracked countries like Ethiopia, Yugoslavia and Sri Lanka.
- Anarchy and chaos are the norms in Somalia and Liberia.
- Political strife tears at the fabric of countries as disparate as Indonesia and Peru.

International Strife

- China, Vietnam, the Philippines and Malaysia and Indonesia all seek to control potential oil reserves in the South China Sea.
- Water supplies become an ever increasing source of tension in the Middle East.



People on the Move - Refugees

- The United Nations High Commission for Refugees noted in a 1998 report that there were more than 22 million refugees at the end of 1997.
- Nearly 150,000 of these were seeking asylum in Canada at that time.
- Many of these people face political or religious persecution in their homelands; some face torture or death.



People on the Move – Economic Migrants



■ Some move to improve their lives.

- North America and Australia are largely populated by economic migrants of the 19th and 20th centuries who came in search of better lives.
- Today, illegal migration to Western Europe, Canada and the USA has become a hot political issue as truckloads of illegals are arrested in southern England and boatloads of Asians are rounded up in British Columbia.

NOTICE

NO TRESPASSING

Limiting Illegal Migration



- Most people would prefer to stay put if conditions could be improved
 - I if persecution could be eliminated.
 - I if violence could be curtailed.
 - I if standards of living could be improved.
- Social stability, throughout the world, is a concern of all global citizens.

International Stability

- Confrontation is not the only possibility.
- The United Nations and other international organizations seek peaceful resolutions to world problems.
- Non governmental organizations work within troubled nations to improve people's lives.

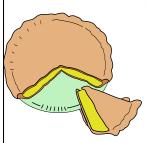


Wealth Redistribution



- In social democracies wealth has often been redistributed through the tax system and the provision of services, like health care, welfare and pensions.
- International agreements like the Law of the Seas treaty have arranged equitable distribution of resources.

Wealth Redistribution II



- It is not always simply a matter of redistributing pieces of the pie.
- Economic growth has consistently enlarged the available pie throughout this century.
- Can we create enough for everyone to live at a decent level?

A Developed World?

- Can we all live at the standard of the developed world today?
 - Can the world's resources support this?
 - Is it even desirable?
 - Are there acceptable alternatives?
- There are no easy answers, yet answers must be found.

Health Concerns in the	
Developing World	
Water-Borne Diseases	
■ Most deaths in the developing world are	
attributable to contaminated water	
■ Diarrhoea	
■ Cholera	
■ Billharzia	
Diarrhoea	
■ Common killer of infants in developing	
countries	
According to the WHO, diarrhoea is responsible for up to 6 million deaths	
worldwide annually	
■ Although highly treatable most deaths occur	
because children die of dehydration	

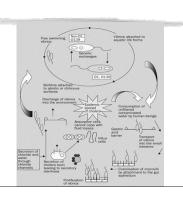
Right- an advertisement by USAID in Nicaragua (Central America) to encourage parents to obtain oral rehydration tablets to treat diarrhoea in infants



Cholera

- Deadly bacteria which is spread through contaminated water and affects the intestines
- Leads to rapid dehydration and death if not treated promptly
- According to the WHO, over 4 million people are affected annually causing over 100,000 deaths

Right- Cholera bacteria life cycle chart



Annual Cholera cases (2009) PACIFIC OCEAN

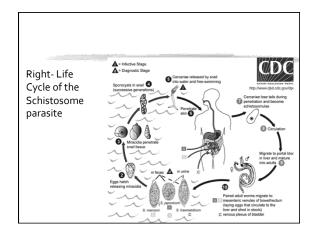
Right- cholera patients in a clinic in Haiti (2010)

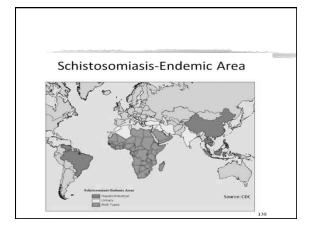
- Photo courtesy of the NGO **Doctors Without** Borders



Billharzia (Schistosomiasis)

- Acquired by parasites while swimming, bathing, drinking, or wadding in contaminated fresh
- Parasites can burrow through skin
- According to the WHO, "it is the second most socioeconomically devastating disease after malaria"
- Causes an estimated 20,000 deaths/year
- Causes chronic disease: kidney, liver damage, cancer





Insect-Borne Diseases

- Malaria
- African Sleeping Sickness

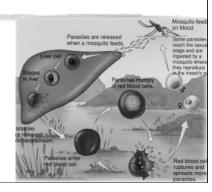
Malaria

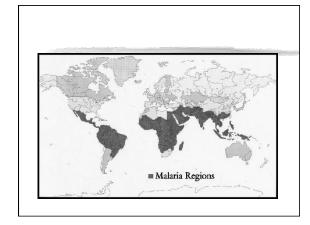
- Malaria is the number one parasitic killer in the world and is responsible for nearly 900,000 deaths annually according to the WHO
- It is a parasite which is spread by a vector called the Anopheles mosquito- active only at night and only in climatic conditions above 20 degrees Celsius

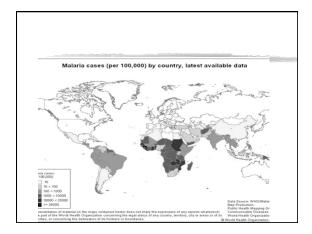
Right- Picture of the Female Anopheles mosquito. Only this specie of mosquitoes can transmit the malaria parasiteand only the females



Right- Life Cycle of Malaria parasite



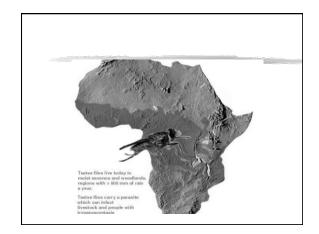


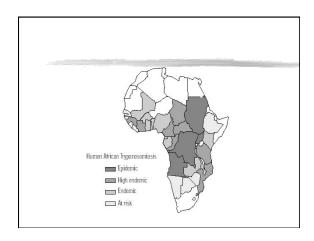


African Sleeping Sickness (Trypanosomiasis)

- Parasitic disease spread by the Tsetse fly
- According to the WHO, it killed an estimated 48,000 people in 2008
- Exclusively affects sub-Saharan Africa and is endemic in countries (see map)







HIV/AIDS

- According to the UNAIDS (2015), approximately 36.7 million people are living with HIV/AIDS worldwide
- I.1 Million people died of the disease in 2015
 It is spread only by humans through contact with infected sexual fluid or blood
 After a period of incubation, the virus begins to attack White Blood Cells thereby lowering in manifestic to infections.

- immunity to infections

 New HIV infections have fallen by 6% since 2010

 AIDs related deaths have fallen by 45% since the peak in 2005

Right- Africa is most affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic. In some countries over 25% of the population is infected with the

- Although it remains a serious health concern worldwide, AIDS related deaths have begun
- Sexual education, effective screening of blood products (medical transfusions) for HIV, and new drugs have reduced AIDS related mortality

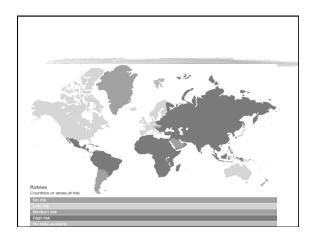
to decline in recent years

Rabbies

- Fatal virus which is spread through the infected saliva (usually a bite) of a mammal
- Dogs and bats are the main vectors of the disease
- According to the WHO, an estimated 55,000 people die annually, disproportionally in the developing world

There are many feral dogs (wild) in developing countries which roam the street- they pose the greatest risk of rabies infection to humans, particularly to children







Group Brainstorm

- A Nigerian once said, "If the developed world sends money, it is only temporary. Send tools and technology and we will solve our own problems."
 - What does he mean?
 - How would tools and technology be useful in solving development problems?

Africa

Types of Foreign Aid

- Bilateral aid financial aid given directly to a government from another government
 - Example: CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency)
- Multilateral aid financial aid given to a government from many other governments.
 - I Examples: United Nations, World Bank, IMF
- NGO's financial aid provided to countries from non governmental organizations.
 - I Examples: Oxfam, Red Cross, Doctors Without Borders, Amnesty International (human rights)

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- The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) is Canada's lead agency for development assistance.
- CIDA's aim is to:
 - I manage Canada's support and resources effectively and accountably to achieve meaningful, sustainable
 - I engage in policy development in Canada and internationally, enabling Canada's effort to realize its development objectives.

CIDA INTERNATIONAL AID



Americas : Bolivia - Caribbean Program - Colombia - Haiti - Honduras - Peru Asia : Afghanistan - Bangladesh - Indonesia - Pakistan - Vietnam Eastern Europe : Ukram North Africa and Middle East : West Bank and Gaza Sub-Saharan Africa : Ethiopia - Ghana - Mali - Mozambique - Senegal- Sudan - Tanzania

■ Over 40,000 international NGO's



- Even more national NGO's ■ Example: Russia has over 277,000 alone
- Some act primarily as lobbyists, while others primarily conduct programs and activities.
- An NGO such as **OXFAM**, concerned with poverty alleviation, might provide needy people with the equipment and skills to find food and clean drinking water.



Problems with Foreign Aid

- Tied Aid lending governments attach conditions to aid being given.
 - I Example: The lending country makes sure the borrowing country must buy goods from the lending country in the future if they get a loan
- Massive Debt many countries that receive large loan are forced into paying off the huge loan payments instead of putting the money to good use.
- Corrupt governments When loan money goes to poor nations, the money doesn't always go where it is needed, but rather to the leaders of the country

Discussion Questions

- Should Canada link its foreign aid to human rights?
- Should Canada be helping poor people in countries that abuse human rights, such as North Korea, Myanmar and Afghanistan?

A note about terminology

- The terms have been very contentious
- Now accepted are:
 - Developed countries = most wealthy countries
 - New industrializing countries = places like Indonesia that are building up their industries and infrastructure
 - Developing countries = do not have a modern infrastructure or many industries
 - Highly indebted poor countries (HIPCs) = most of the countries at the bottom of the UN Human Development Index in debt to developed nations

Developing World Map

- Interactive map
- http://worldmap.canadiangeographic.ca/
- You can compare any country and look at things like child mortality rate, access to clean drinking water etc.

Post-Writing

- Go back to your initial writings about standard of living
- Write a one-page discussion assessing any changes you might have in opinion after looking at specifics. (Now you can use the proper terms!).
- Discuss each of the levels of standard of living (excellent, average, poor) and what you imagine them to be like now that you have a bit more information. Were you close? Far off?

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