

Sample Questions

Part 1: Text

Pollution is an environmental concern for people throughout the world. One university study suggests that **pollutants** in the water, air, and soil cause up to 40 percent of the premature deaths in the world's population. The majority of these deaths occur in developing countries. Infants and young children are the most susceptible to **waterborne** diseases. Water in many third world countries is **contaminated** with **toxic chemicals**, also known as toxins. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that 1.1 billion people have little or no access to clean water. In many of these regions the water that is used for drinking, cooking, and washing is the same water that is used for **dumping sewage** and **hazardous waste**. Most developing countries cannot afford water treatment facilities. Approximately 80% of infectious diseases in the world are caused by contaminated water.

Vocabulary

1) In paragraph 1, the word **waterborne** means

- a. soaked
- b. began in water
- c. carried by water
- d. dangerous

2) In paragraph 1, the word **dumping** means

- a. throwing away
- b. processing
- c. recycling
- d. retaining

Comprehension

3) According to the article, what causes 40% of the world's premature deaths?

- a. Air pollution
- b. Soil pollution
- c. Water Pollution
- d. A combination of the above

4) What is the main reason people die of waterborne illnesses?

- a. People pollute the water while fishing
- b. Climate change affects the quality of water
- c. Water treatment facilities are too expensive
- d. People don't clean with hot water

Part 2: Short Written Composition

Writing Component

Please write a short 2 paragraph composition (100 words) explaining what experience you can bring to this program and the knowledge and skills that you hope the program will help you develop.

Clarity	/5	Grammar	/5	Vocabulary	/5	Ideas	/5		
						Total		/20	