

Lesson 29

Water Around the World

How much water is used in the United States?
How much water is used in other countries?

GOAL To understand that United States uses the most water in the world each day

OBJECTIVES Students will:

- ✓ match countries to how many cups of water used in a day
- ✓ identify countries on a map

MATERIALS papers, pencils

CORE CURRICULUM CONTENT STANDARDS

- Math 1(1-6), 2(2,3), 3(1-4)
- Science 8(7,8), 14(7,8)
- Social Studies 11 (6,7), 12(3,5,6), 13(1,3- 5)

VOCABULARY water usage, country

PROCEDURES

1. Discuss water usage in the United States. Ask students if they think United States uses the most water.
2. List countries and amounts separately on board.
3. Have students match amounts to countries from highest water usage to lowest.
4. The amounts follow:
 - a. United States – 26,734 cups/person/day
 - b. Canada – 17,470 cups/day
 - c. Australia – 14,044 cups/day
 - d. Italy – 12,521 cups/day
 - e. Spain – 11,210 cups/day
 - f. Japan – 10,702 cups/day
 - g. Germany – 7,910 cups/day
 - h. France – 5,795 cups/day
 - i. Sweden – 5,541 cups/day
 - j. Switzerland – 1,227 cups/day
5. After matches are made discuss results.
6. Have students identify countries on a map.

GLOSSARY

country - a state or nation

water usage - the act of using water