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# W.A.T.E.R. World Water Day presentation

(Water Access Through Educating Roswell)

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## Statistics



- **1.8 billion people** worldwide lack safe, accessible, reliable, and clean water and **2.5 billion people** lack access to proper sanitation (37% of those people live in Sub-Saharan Africa)
- Women and girls in affected areas spend **up to 6 hours per day** hauling water (which prevents them from attending school, working, or just enjoying life)
- Only **31%** of people in Sub-Saharan Africa have access to a toilet (6% decrease from 2006)
- Around **700,000 children** die every year due to unsafe water and poor sanitation (almost **2,000 children a day**)



# What are some things you use water for?

- Drinking
- Showering/Bathing
- Cooking
- Washing clothes and dishes
- Brushing teeth

Even most of your foods, clothing, toys, and everyday products are made using water!

# Water is Life Information and Videos

Water is Life is an organization which aims to educate about the global water crisis and provide filters and educational materials to people in developing countries without access to clean water.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fxyhfiCO\\_XQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fxyhfiCO_XQ)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XYf82F3CHYo>

## Aysha's Story

- Ethiopia
- 13 years old
- Walks 8 hours round trip for water every day

<https://www.unicefusa.org/stories/how-long-does-it-take-get-water-aysha-eight-hours-day/30776>



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFG8BoxUi\\_U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFG8BoxUi_U)

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# 200,000,000 hours

Worldwide, girls and women spend a combined 200 million hours every day walking for water.

What do you think this prevents them from doing?





## 6k Walk for Water

“6K, a little more than 3.7 miles, is the average distance round trip women and children in the developing world walk for water — water that is often contaminated with life-threatening diseases.”

“6k = a brisk hour or more walk (15 laps around a football field, etc.) But that’s not how it’s done in developing countries in Africa. There, people don’t have access to an improved water source. Moms and daughters walk their 6K barefoot or in rubber sandals to collect water from polluted rivers and ponds. And they often make that trip more than once a day! Maybe they climb up steep hills or over rocks, slide down a steep gully, or circle around thorn trees. There may be snakes and bees or people who want to rob them, or worse — lying in wait along the way. On the way home from the water source, it gets even harder. You know what it’s like to carry a gallon of milk from the car to the kitchen counter? Try a gallon in each hand at 8.6 pounds each, and the total weight is less than half of the 44 pounds an African woman carries on her head in a 20-liter jerry can. **Would that be enough water for your family to drink, cook, bathe, and wash for a day?** Maybe like millions of other women you’d have to walk to the waterhole many times; it quickly adds up to those 200 million hours, doesn’t it?”

<https://www.worldvision.org/clean-water-news-stories/walk-water-6k>

Enjoy your water walk!

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