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Level: Elementary, Middle and High School Level

Time: 10 minutes

Corresponding Nutrients for Life education materials: Nourishing the Planet in the 21st Century Elementary, Middle or High School curricula

Materials: Activity Cards printed on cardstock, glued to index cards or laminated. Master card list.

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Directions:

1. Hand the cards out to students
2. Begin asking who has the Atlantic Ocean, have that student sit down.
3. Continue through the list until all of the bodies of water have been read, explain that approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Earth's surface is water.
4. Continue reading until you have one student standing. Explain that all of the Earth's surface that is too wet, rocky, built up with cities, etc. can't be used to grow food.
5. Read the last description on the list, it is Healthy Soil. Have that student remain standing and explain how that is the amount of soil available to grow enough food to feed the entire world population. Discuss ways to take care of that soil.

Notes: This activity is a great introduction to the Nutrients for Life curricula, review or ice breaker activity!

Master Card List

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| 1. Atlantic Ocean | 14. Lake Ontario |
| 2. Pacific Ocean | 15. Lake of the Woods |
| 3. Arctic Ocean | 16. Ohio River |
| 4. Indian Ocean | 17. Great Salt Lake |
| 5. Snake River | 18. Potomac River |
| 6. Colorado River | 19. New York City |
| 7. Mississippi River | 20. Everglades |
| 8. Lake Michigan | 21. Soil too Rocky or Dry |
| 9. Lake Erie | 22. Rocky Mountains |
| 10. Gulf of Mexico | 23. Sahara Desert |
| 11. Lake Superior | 24. Antarctica |
| 12. Rio Grande River | 25. Healthy Soil! |
| 13. Missouri River | |









