

# Famine

**Quotations** “The long-term solution in preventing another famine in Somalia is to promote self-reliance.”

- Hawa Abdi

“Abundance does not spread; famine does.”

- Zulu Proverb

## Questions

- What countries do you think of when you hear the word “famine”?
- What is responsible for famine around the world?
- Who plays a major role in famine in certain countries around the world?
- Do you believe that famine will ever be eradicated in your lifetime?
- What are some ways that citizens of the world have come together to help the famine crisis in Africa and other parts of the world?
- Have you ever participated in a campaign or movement to eradicate famine?
- How do you feel when you see children and adults with swelled bellies?
- Do you believe we, as individuals, are responsible for helping the victims of famine?
- Yiddish author and playwright Sholom Aleichem made the statement, “The rich swell up with pride, the poor from hunger.” What does this mean to you?
- Should the United Nations take more of an active role in stopping famine?
- Throughout history, different areas of the globe have been affected by famine. Are you familiar with any of the events? If so, explain what you know
- How have political strife and inadequate economic policies affected famine throughout Africa?
- Do you believe famous people and rock stars have an obligation to help victims of famine?

**Presentation** With a partner/small group, devise a plan to eradicate famine throughout the world. Present your findings to the class as you would to the UN.