



RESPECT WATER,
RESPECT LIFE

Thousands of years old and still fresh!



Did you know that the water we use today is the same water that the dinosaurs drank? So every time you have a glass of water, you are drinking something that an extinct animal drank thousands and thousands of years ago!

Imagine living in a world with no clothes, no cars, no cellphones, no roads or any of the things we take for granted today. But this is how people lived many thousands of years ago. They hunted animals and gathered plant products for their food and they moved from place to place as the seasons changed to follow their food source. In the past, people had respect for water.

But nobody, since the beginning of our Earth's history has been able to survive without water. The plants and animals that provided food for our ancestors all needed water to survive. Humans need water every day and the water needs to be clean and free of pollution. Water needs to be respected as it gives life.

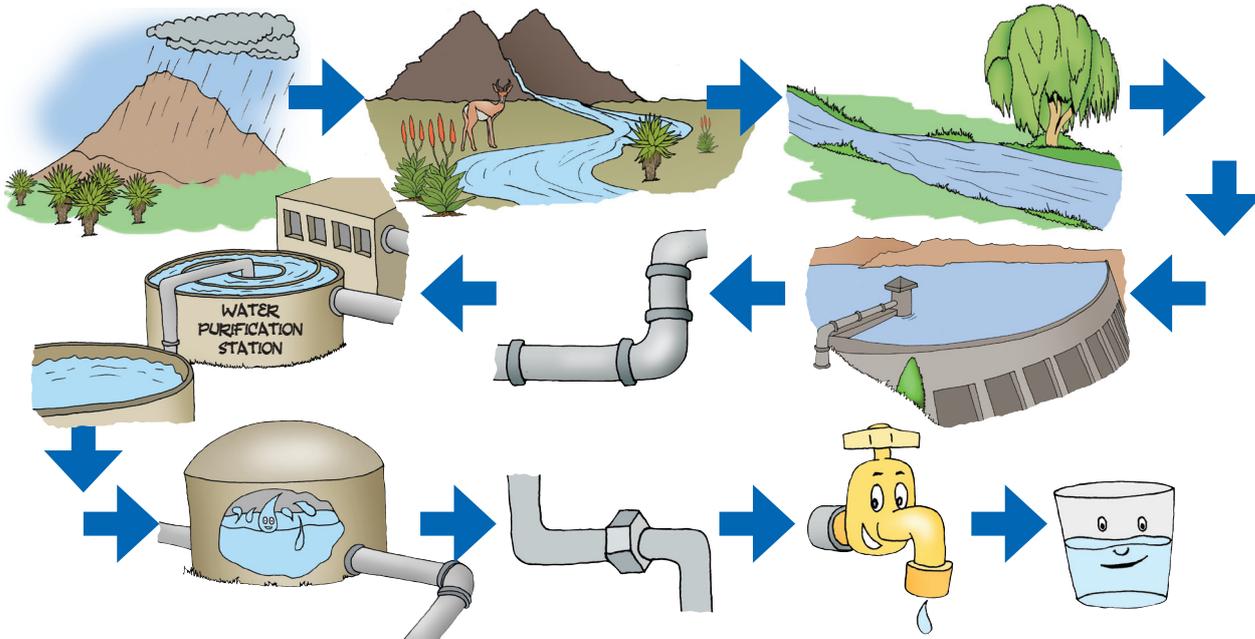
How does water get into our homes?

When you drink a glass of water, do you ever think where it comes from? Why don't you draw a poster of the route that water takes in your area to get into your glass – i.e. the human-made water cycle? Use these questions to help you:

- Does the water come from a river, a dam or from underground?
- Is the water stored in a dam?
- Is the water cleaned before it gets to you?
- Where is the clean water stored?
- How does it get to your tap?

Because of our modern lifestyle, many of our rivers have become polluted and unsafe to drink. To ensure that we have enough clean water, we have had to build dams to store water and water purification stations to clean the water before feeding into the pipes that bring water to our homes. Let's find out how it works.

Look at the diagram below and see whether you can explain what is happening. Label each drawing.



LO1: HISTORICAL ENQUIRY

The learner will be able to use enquiry skills to investigate the past and present.

LO2: HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

The learner will be able to demonstrate historical knowledge and understanding.

