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### **The water crisis**

Sarah: Wentworth, guess what I heard today!

W: I don't know, maybe pigs are flying?!

Sarah: ha-ha! No! It's a serious fact which says that world water use is expected to triple in the next fifty years.

W: People have always taken water for granted. But where is the water going to come from to supply an ever-increasing world population?

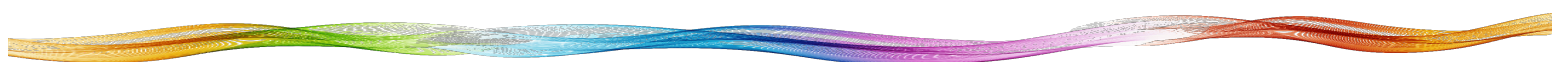
Sarah: well, desalinisation is gaining popularity in countries with shrinking rivers and dwindling water reserves. As well as harvesting rainwater.

W: I agree but the stark truth is that in much of the world there isn't enough water, and where there is, it is being wasted, mismanaged, and polluted. Moreover, fresh water is unevenly distributed. Some countries have more than they need, while others are desperately short.

Sarah: Yes, and not to forget that the surface of the planet is two-thirds water, but 97 percent of it is undrinkable.

W: Exactly. And most of the fresh water is constantly threatened with humans' pollution.

Sarah: Climate change heralds thirsty times ahead for most of the world's population then...





**GLOSSARY:**

The water crisis	Countries
To guess	Rivers
To hear/heard/heard	Water reserves
To fly	Rainwater
To triple	The stark truth
To take something for granted	Fresh water
To supply	The surface of the planet
To gain	97 percent
To shrink	Climate change
To dwindle	Thirsty times ahead
To harvest	Pigs will fly
To waste	In much of the world
To mismanage	Enough water
To pollute	Unevenly
To distribute	Desperately
To need	Two-thirds
To be short	Undrinkable
To threaten	Constantly
To herald	
A serious fact	
The world	
The water use	
An ever-increasing population	
Desalinisation	
Popularity	



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