

A. Read the article. How does it make you feel?

World Food Day, October 16th

Have you ever felt hungry? It isn't a nice feeling, is it? But some children feel hungry all the time because they don't have enough food to eat. We celebrate World Food Day on 16th October as an action day against hunger. We believe that everybody has the right to enough food.

On 16th October groups of people around the world organise events and campaigns to raise awareness about hunger. To raise awareness means to tell everyone about the problem – because some people don't know. Events include things like community walks, World Food Day picnics and dinners and poster campaigns.

Having enough food is a basic human right but millions of people are hungry every day. Read some facts and figures:

- 805 million people around the world don't have enough to eat.
- 60% of the hungry people in the world are women.
- Nearly 5 million children under 5 die each year because they haven't got enough food.
- In poor countries, 4 out of 10 children have health problems because of hunger.

In 2000, world leaders signed an agreement to stop hunger by 2015. Since then 40 countries have cut hunger by 50%. This is good of course, but it isn't good enough! It **is** possible to end world hunger but we need to make this happen. We need to work together to raise awareness and tell the leaders of our communities and countries how we feel. If we all work together, we can change the world.

B. Read the article again and answer the questions.

- 1. Why do some children always feel hungry?
- 2. Why is it important to raise awareness about world hunger?
- 3. Why do you think most of the hungry people in the world are women?
- 4. What kind of health problems can hunger cause?
- 5. How can we help to raise awareness about world hunger?