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Grade 3: Lesson 17 Where is Water on Earth?

One Well: The Story of Water on Earth

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One Well

Imagine for a moment that all the water on Earth came from just one well. This *isn't* as strange as it sounds. All water on Earth is connected, so there really is just one source of water — one global well— from which we all draw our water. Every ocean wave, every lake, stream and underground river, every raindrop and snowflake and every bit of ice in glaciers and polar *ice caps* is part of this global well. So whether you are turning on a faucet in North America, pulling water from a well in Kenya or bathing in a river in India, it is all the same water. And because it is all connected, how we treat the water in the well will affect every species on the planet, including us, now and for years to come.

Earth is the only planet that has liquid water and is therefore the only planet that can support life.

You need water, and so does every other living organism—every person, every plant and every animal. Without water, nothing can survive.

The amount of water on Earth hasn't ever changed. It has been the same for billions of years.

Note Catcher

Vocabulary Word	Definition	What I know Or How I figured it out
nonfiction		
informational		
well		
draw		
global		

Main Idea and Key Details Graphic Organizer

Main idea of the text:

Key details from the text that help me understand the main idea:

Key details from the illustrations that help me understand the main idea:

Independent Practice:

Write a paragraph that explains where water is on earth. Use specific facts, definitions, and details you have learned about water to support your writing.

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