

How will the session work?

The Beavers will travel to different destinations on board a plane made of chairs. Rotating in their lodges, they will visit each country station and will learn about a different issue. Each Beaver will have a passport and will get to glue in a flag of each country they visit.

The countries and issues

Ethiopia – Water

India – Endangered animals

Ghana – Fairtrade

Recycling

Session timings

10 minutes	Introduction to activity and photo glueing
10 minutes	1 st rotation
10 minutes	2 nd rotation
10 minutes	3 rd rotation
10 minutes	4 th rotation
10 minutes	Activity reflection and end of session

Ethiopia

Clean Water

Ethiopia is a country in Africa and is home to 132 million people. Unfortunately, many people live without clean water. This means that people often become poorly and can die; even children. Sometimes, the water may look clean when it actually isn't. Charities try to help by building wells and donating water filters. However, they cannot help everyone, so some people may have to make their own.

Activity

- Introduce the country and the issue
- Compare the bottles of clean and dirty water (allow the dirty water to settle before hand so it looks clean, then shake it to show the dirt)
- Start a discussion by asking questions like, 'would you drink this?'
- Show the homemade water filter, and discuss what is inside.
- Have a drink and a snack
- Stick the Ethiopian flag into the Global Issues Passport



What have we learnt?

As a group, reflect on what we have learnt. Consider how we could help others by donating to charity and spreading awareness.

A good time to complete this reflection is whilst having a drink and snack.

Ghana

Fairtrade

Ghana is a country in west Africa and is home to 34 million people. 3.2 million people are farmers who grow cocoa beans (the main ingredient in chocolate). They grow 707,000 tonnes of cocoa. Unfortunately, some farmers don't get paid fairly for their beans. This is where Fairtrade come in. Fairtrade ensures that farmers get paid fairly so that they can earn the money they deserve. We know we are buying a Fairtrade product thanks to a symbol or sticker on the wrapping. Other Fairtrade products include bananas, cotton, tea, and sugar.

Activity

- Introduce the activity and issue
- Look at each product and try and find the fairtrade logo
- Try a piece of chocolate
- Stick the Ghanaian flag into the Global Issues passport



What have we learnt?

As a group, reflect on what we have learnt. Consider how we would be helping others if we only consumed Fairtrade products.

India

Endangered Species

India is a country in Asia and is home to nearly 1.5 billion people – that's 35% of the world's population. People aren't the only ones who call India home; 93,000 types of animals also live here. 172 of these animals are endangered and include the Indian Rhinoceros and the Bengal Tiger. One of the reasons these animals are endangered is because they lose their habitats. An example is when forests get cut down.

Activity

- Introduce the country and issue
- In a group, see how many endangered animals you can name
- Draw your favourite endangered animal or design a poster about protecting habitats.
- Stick the Indian flag into the Global Issues passports



What have we learnt?

As a group, reflect on how some of our favourite animals could go extinct.

Recycling Centre

Recycling

Recycling is a great way we can look after our planet. Every year, we throw away 200 million tonnes of waste in the UK. We can now use technology to reuse some of that waste for a new use. For example, we can recycle plastic bottles and turn them into pens and pencils. We often know what is recyclable thanks to a handy symbol.

Activity

- Introduce the issue
- Have a go at the a recycling sort activity
- Design recycling posters
- Stick the recycling symbol into the Global Issues passport



What have we learnt?

As a group, reflect on how we can use less plastic and discuss how we can save water and electricity.

Global issues passport and flags

The global issues passport is a handout for the Beavers where they can glue the flags in and write anything down. On the front cover, there is space to glue on a picture of themselves.

Both the passports and printable flags are available from <https://highpeakscouting.org.uk/resources-for-leaders/>