

# HOW CAN WE MEET GLOBAL NEEDS?



Our children will become advocates in the fight against global poverty if we encourage their appreciation and respect for the wonderful, fascinating diversity of people and cultures around the globe. By doing activities that celebrate other cultures, reading books that honor our differences, exploring diverse cultural areas, having conversations about all we hold in common, and traveling when possible, we can raise children who are excited about the richness of the planet and its people.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- 663 million people in the world—1 in 10—lack access to safe water.
- Americans spend more on Halloween than the entire world spends on malaria in a year.
- About 161 million children every year are stunted or permanently disadvantaged for life, simply from a lack of adequate nutrition.

<https://www.one.org/us/2015/10/30/21-shocking-facts-about-global-poverty/>

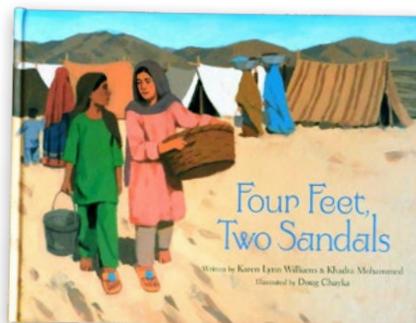
“In a world where there is so much **wealth**, so many **resources** to feed everyone, it is unfathomable that there are so many hungry children, that there are so many **children** without an education, so many poor persons. Poverty today is a **cry**.”

—Helen Keller, American author and activist

## READ WITH ME

*Four Feet, Two Sandals* by Karen Lynn Williams is a gently told story about the friendship of two girls in a refugee camp.

- How do Lena and Feroza show their friendship for each other?
- What do you have that you can share with others? (Hint: sharing is not limited to things; people can share music, time, hugs, etc.)
- What can we do to help refugees and others who have lost something or someone important to them?



## LET'S TALK

At mealtime or bedtime, or when you're on the way to help out, bring up these questions.

- If you could visit one country in the world, which would it be? Why? What do you know about that country? How could we find out more?
- What would it be like to move to a new country? How would you communicate if you didn't speak the language? What can we do to make people who are new to our country and our community feel welcome?
- Let's talk about the ways people live around the world. How are we the same and different? (Discuss the privileges and material possessions we take for granted.)

## TELL US ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE!

**DGT™ will use your story to...**

- Inspire others to make a difference!
- Make giving back seem doable.
- Lighten hearts and open minds on social media.
- Build excitement for more big-hearted good deeds!

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