

Grade 7 EMS Worksheet

Assessment Task: Sustainable Development and apartheid

Test your knowledge of apartheid policies (Group activity)

Discuss the questions below and present your answers to the class.

- What is apartheid?
- How did apartheid affect ownership among 'non-whites'?
- How did apartheid affect job opportunities of 'non-whites'?
- How did apartheid affect the standard of living of 'non-whites'?

Group assessment checklist

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Suggested Solutions

Question number	Possible marks	Solution
1	None	<p>Suggested answers:</p> <p>a) Apartheid was a policy followed by the South African government before democracy. The apartheid policy stated that people would be better off if all the racial groups are separated. In reality, apartheid discriminated politically, socially and economically against people who were classified as 'non-white'.</p> <p>b) Black people were not allowed to own 'white' land. 'Reserves' were created for them to live in. As much as 80% of the land belonged to white people (who made up 20% of the population). The other 20% went to non-white people.</p> <p>c) Their wages were kept low and they were prevented from receiving proper training to perform 'skilled tasks'. This prevented them from earning proper wages, thereby leaving many of them in abject poverty.</p> <p>d) Since 'non-whites' could not earn proper salaries, they lived in shacks in shanty towns, often without running water and electricity. They did not have fair opportunities to increase their standard of living. Most 'non-whites' just earned enough to live on.</p>

Appendix of Assessment Tools

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