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Where Earth's Water Is: Learn and Practice

Salty, frozen, and the little we drink

Read each question. Circle the best answer.

💡 Earth's Water

- About 97 per cent of Earth's water is salty ocean water.
- Most of the fresh water is frozen in glaciers and ice caps.
- Only about 1 per cent of all water is fresh water that is easy for us to use.
- 100 cups of Earth's water: 97 salty, 2 frozen: about 1 cup we can use

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C. Frozen in glaciers and ice caps D. In rivers

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3 What is groundwater?

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D. Ocean waves

4 🥤 If all of Earth's water were 100 cups, about how many cups would be ocean water?

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C. A salty sea D. The Pacific Ocean

6 🌊 Where is most of Earth's water?

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D. In the oceans

7 Why is it unsafe to drink ocean water?

A. It is too blue B. It is too cold

C. It has too much salt D. It is too deep

8 🌍 About how much of Earth's surface is covered by water?

A. About 30 per cent B. About 10 per cent

C. About 70 per cent D. All of it

✏️ Explain it! Write two facts you learned about where earth's water is.

ANSWER KEY

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Most fresh water is locked up as ice, mainly near the poles.

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Ocean water has lots of dissolved salt, which is why it tastes salty.

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Rain soaks into the ground and fills spaces in soil and rock. That is groundwater.

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About 97 out of 100 cups would be salty ocean water. Only a few would be fresh.

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Mountain lakes are usually filled by rain and snowmelt, which is fresh water.

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Oceans hold almost all of Earth's water, about 97 per cent.

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Too much salt makes your body lose water, so ocean water can make you more thirsty.

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Water covers about 70 per cent of the surface. That is why Earth is called the blue planet.