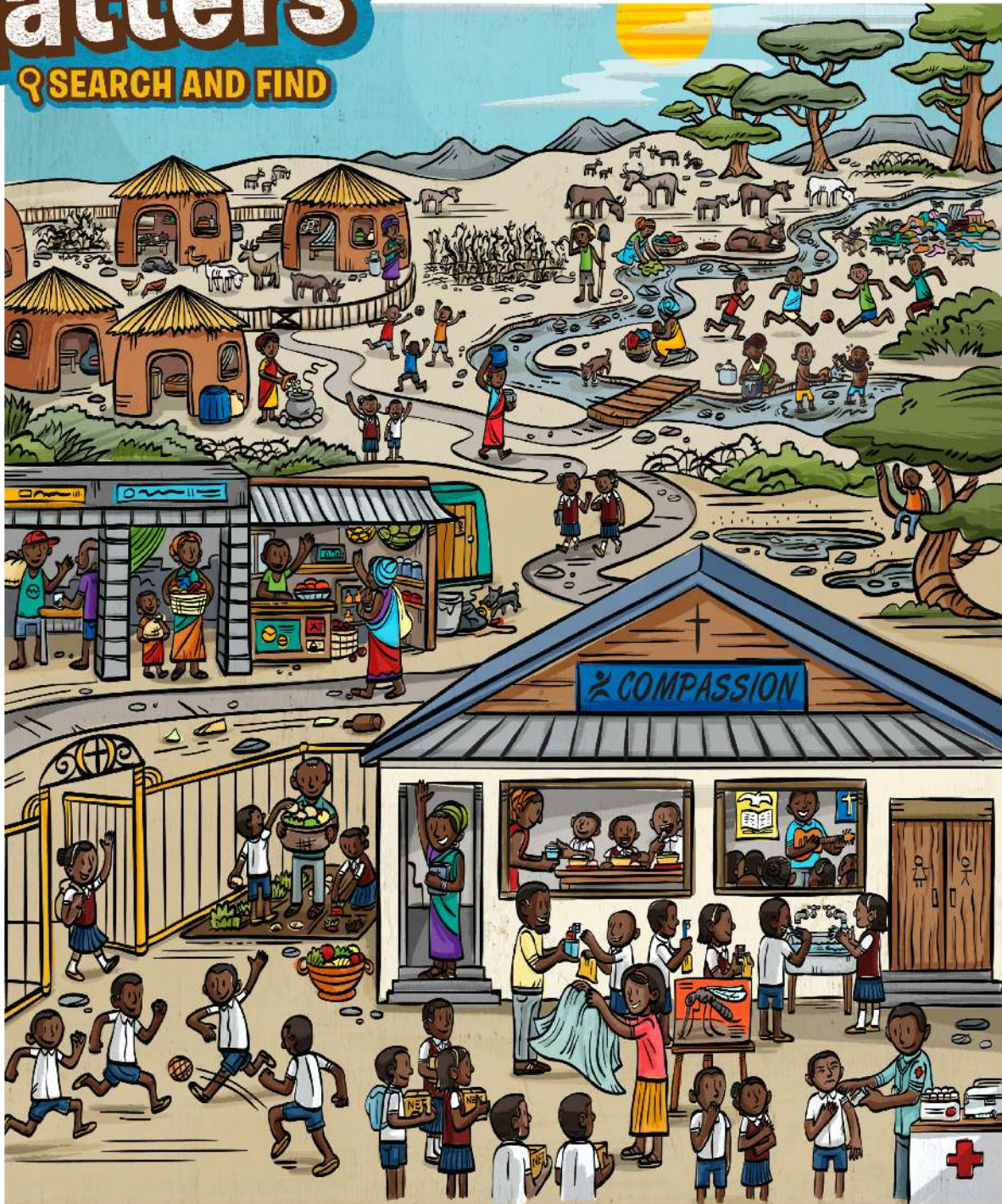


# Health Matters

SEARCH AND FIND

Dangers to health lurk everywhere in developing countries. Thanks to sponsors, Compassion teaches kids how to avoid sickness. Read the words on the next page, then try to find the pictures!



Drinking dirty water can make people sick to their stomachs. So Compassion offers safe drinking water at our child development centers.



Some kids have no toilets at home and no sewers in town, so germs get everywhere. Compassion centers have bathrooms, soap and safe water.



Since mosquito bites can cause malaria, Compassion gives out bed nets that help keep away bugs.



People need nutrients found in vegetables, fruits and whole grains to stay strong and do well in school. Compassion centers offer healthful meals and grow food in gardens.

Compassion gives many children vaccines that fight off diseases like polio and measles.



Kids at Compassion centers learn that brushing their teeth can keep away painful cavities and gum disease.



Kids at Compassion centers learn that washing their hands with soap keeps away all kinds of illnesses.

## NUMBER MATCH

Draw a line from each germ to the sentence that its number finishes.



- A** \_\_\_\_\_ children in the world die each day from diseases that cause diarrhea. People often get these diseases from drinking unsafe water.
- B** Vaccines can prevent \_\_\_\_\_ out of 4 cases of rotavirus, a stomach infection that causes diarrhea. But vaccines are often out of reach for people in developing countries.
- C** 1 in \_\_\_\_\_ child deaths in Africa is due to malaria, a disease people get from mosquito bites.
- D** There are up to \_\_\_\_\_ million cases of pertussis around the world each year. Pertussis, a disease that causes violent coughing, also can lead to pneumonia.

## WHAT'S MISSING?

Fill in the blank with the word that's missing, using the pictures as a guide.

Compassion-sponsored kids have access to:

- A** Safe \_\_\_\_\_ .
- B** Healthy \_\_\_\_\_ .
- C** Medical \_\_\_\_\_ .

And they learn about:

- D** Washing \_\_\_\_\_ .
- E** Brushing \_\_\_\_\_ .



teeth



snacks



water



checkups



hands

## **ANSWERS**

**NUMBER MATCH** A 3,000, B 3, C 5, D 50 **WHAT'S MISSING** A water, B snacks, C checkups, D hands, E teeth