

international zone - key stage 2

Welcome pupils to the zone and remind them of your name.

Aims:

In this zone we are going to:

- discover how people live in different countries
- learn about the work of The Salvation Army around the world

Getting ready (5 minutes)

Where is the furthest place you have travelled to? Well, today you're going to travel thousands of miles and visit some of the countries The Salvation Army works in – without even leaving this room!

Before we set off, we need a passport. *Hand out the passports and ask pupils to complete their personal details.* Now let's have a look at a map of the world to see where we're going. *Challenge pupils to put together the world map jigsaw (or have it already assembled to save time) or simply use the inflatable globe.* In which places do you think you might find Salvation Army churches, centres and projects to help people? *Invite them to name or point to countries or continents on the map or globe.* The Salvation Army works in 130 *(update as necessary)* countries around the world, including North and South America, countries in Europe, Australia and New Zealand, and countries in Africa and Asia. We're going to visit just ____ countries in this zone. Before we leave each country I want you to fill in your passport by writing down (or quickly drawing) what you learnt about what life is like and about The Salvation Army's work in that country. You can also collect a Red Shield sticker for each place you visit.

Off we go! (5-10 minutes per country)

China – Barefoot doctors

First we're going to visit China. Who can find China on the map/globe?

Watch the DVD clip (1 min 42).

- What do you think it is like to live in a place which is so far away from the cities and hospitals etc?
- Why do you think people don't just move to the cities?
- How is The Salvation Army trying to help the villagers?
- Why do you think they are called Barefoot Doctors? (They travel by foot!)

Support pupils as they complete a section of their passports and give out Red Shield stickers.



Tanzania – Water project

Before we go to our next country, I have a watery challenge for you – as a group, you have one minute to say as many different ways you use water as possible. *Time one minute and count how many ideas they come up with.*

Water features in our next clip. We're off to Tanzania. Who thinks they could find it on the map? *Watch DVD clip (2 mins 10).*

- If you walked from your home for three hours, where do you think you would get to? Show pupils a local/UK/Ireland map and help them to work out or guess where they would get to.
- How would you feel if you had to do this every day?
A lack of safe clean water is one of the main problems in the world which causes children to die. The Salvation Army really wants to change that.

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Haiti – Pig deal project

Next we're going to travel to Haiti. Can anyone find it on the map?

Watch DVD clip (2 mins 41).

- In the clip, we found out that pigs have always been very important in Haiti. Can you remember what happened to them in the 1980s?
- How do you think the people in Haiti might have felt about the American government when they replaced their pigs with ones which were too difficult and expensive to look after?
- Do you think what they did was fair?
- How will The Salvation Army make sure they have enough pigs to keep giving them out to people who need them?

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Zambia - Mustard Seeds project

We're going to travel back to Africa now, to a country called Zambia. Can anyone find it on the map? *Watch DVD clip (2 mins 10).*

- What was The Salvation Army micro-credit project called? Why do you think it was called that? Have you ever seen a mustard seed? It's so tiny that you can hardly see it, but it grows into a very large tree – a bit like a small loan growing into a business which will make enough money to feed a family every day.
- Do you think it's a good idea to give people in developing countries a small loan to help them to start a business? Why do you think The Salvation Army doesn't just give away the money? *You may want to check pupils understand the word 'loan'.*
- What other businesses do you think people could set up in developing countries? What business would you set up?

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Sri Lanka - Emergency work

We're going to travel back to Asia now, to a country called Sri Lanka. Who can find it on the map? *Watch DVD clip (3 mins 58).*

- How do you think you would feel if your home and everything you owned was destroyed? *Encourage them to think of different words to describe their feelings.*
- Can you remember any of the ways The Salvation Army was helping after the Tsunami? (Providing tents, a Salvation Army doctor, new tools and advice for their businesses, listening to people and comforting them.) The Salvation Army helps in emergencies all the time. *Show the 'Emergency' map.*

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It's time to go back home. I hope you've found it interesting visiting different countries. Perhaps one day you would like to actually visit some of the countries, and help people in some of the ways The Salvation Army does.

extra activities

Pupil book (5-10 minutes)

Pupils can complete page 15 in their pupil books. The activity links quite well to the Sri Lanka DVD clip.

Worship around the world (2-3 minutes)

We have one last stop to make, where we can see/hear how members of The Salvation Army in *(insert country)* are worshipping God. *Show a DVD clip of Salvation Army worship in a different country. There is a good clip on Link 22. Alternatively play 'Living water' on the Music zone CD.* There are Salvation Army churches all around the world too and they all worship in different ways with different kinds of songs and music and dancing. However, we all worship the same God and believe the same things which means we're like one very big church family.

