

Student Worksheet – Peace Prize 2020 The World Food Programme (WFP)



The 2020 Peace Prize is awarded to the UN's **World Food Programme (WFP)**, the world's largest humanitarian organisation working to eliminate hunger. The WFP provides support for almost 100 million people every year. At the same time, their work contributes to improving the conditions for peace in conflict-affected areas.

Eradicating hunger and starvation is one of the global goals that the countries of the world have agreed to. In recent years, however, the situation has been trending in the wrong direction. The number of people in the world who are starving or are threatened with starvation has been growing. In addition, the coronavirus pandemic has made the situation worse, particularly in countries in the midst of armed conflicts.

The UN's World Food Programme is the largest humanitarian organisation in the world that is working to combat hunger. Every year, the organisation supplies several billion meals to people living in areas that are affected by conflict or struck by natural disasters.

Through its efforts to combat hunger and starvation, the WFP also contributes to the work of creating a more peaceful and secure world. Armed conflicts often lead to food shortages, while food shortages can also set off conflicts. In this way, there is a clear link between hunger and violent conflict. With its various projects around the world, the WFP has taken the lead in combining humanitarian work with peace efforts.

The WFP was also a driving force in the process that led to the adoption of Resolution 2417 by the United Nations Security Council in May 2018. The resolution explicitly addresses the link between armed conflict and hunger. It strongly condemns the use of starvation as a weapon of war and conflict.

Vocabulary

THE GLOBAL GOALS In 2015, the UN adopted 17 sustainable development goals that are to be achieved by 2030.

THE SECURITY COUNCIL The UN Security Council is made up of 15 Member States, of which five are permanent members. The Security Council addresses issues relating to peace and security.

What do you think?

What is the most interesting part of the laureate's work?

Alfred Nobel wanted the Nobel Prizes to be awarded to people who worked for the greatest benefit to humankind. What is the greatest benefit of the laureate's contributions?
