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USE THE FOLLOWING chart to examine daily water use trends around the globe.

Continent / Country	Domestic Water Use* (gallons per day per person)
Africa	17
Egypt	53
Ethiopia	3
Mozambique	2
South Africa	44
Europe	71
Albania	91
United Kingdom	30
North America	137
Canada	208
United States	173
Central America	87
Costa Rica	145
Honduras	7
South America	75
Peru	43
Venezuela	101
Asia	31
Azerbaijan	77
Bangladesh	11
China	16

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Ask the participants for possible explanations for the differences.

INVITE THE PARTICIPANTS to form pairs and share their responses to the following question:

» How have your feelings about water and water use been altered as a result of this activity?

IF TIME PERMITS, invite the participants to create graphic representations (pie charts, etc.) to demonstrate their own personal water use trends, group results, the United States' overall use, and the water use of other countries in the world.

Note: If Internet access is available, have the participants try an online game version of the water calculator to interactively compute personal daily water consumption values and view graphical results. Calculators can be found on the Water Footprint Web site and the National Wildlife Federation Web site.

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