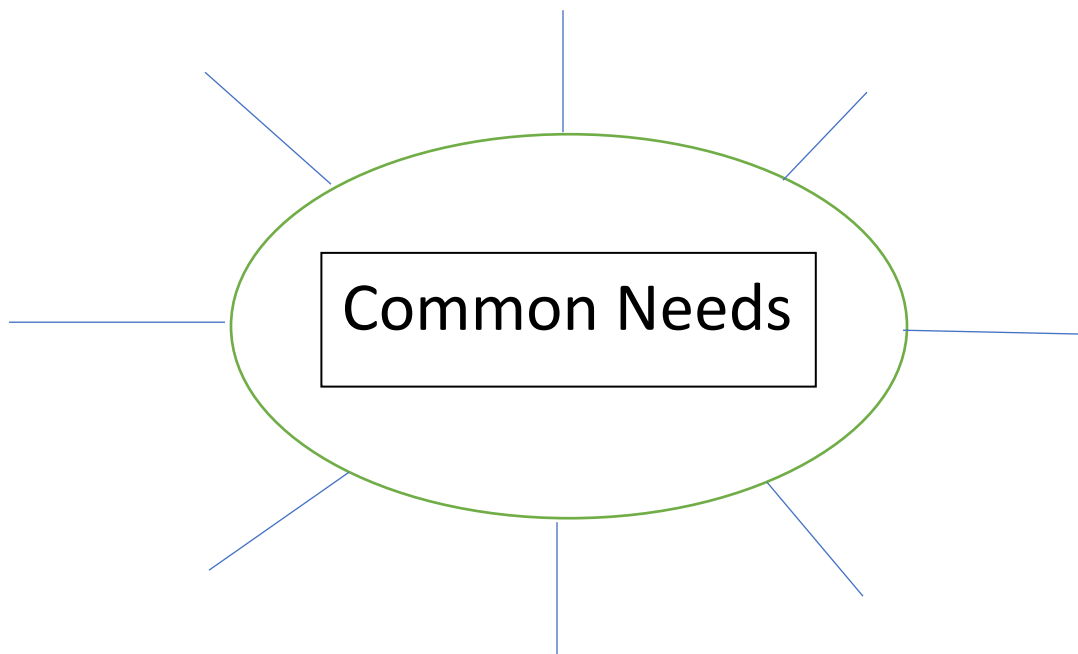


*"All human beings on earth share one collective, or human, past. We share this past with people around the world today and also with people of ancient times. When we reach back into our distant human past, we find out who we are as members of the human family. Many things have happened in human history. We find out why they happened and how those things affected the world both in the past and today."*

*"All people need the same things to survive, no matter where we live in the world. By studying the past, we have learned that people in the past needed these things too."*

(Ancient Worlds: Outlooks 7, Oxford, p. 11)

Challenge: In small groups, brainstorm a list of common needs that you think all humans in history (including us) have shared. You will have 5 minutes! Then we will compare your answers with the Top 5 needs as listed in the textbook and with other groups.



*"The human story is a huge tapestry made up of countless stories of billions of people. It stretches back to the beginning of human life on Earth. Each of our lives is one thread in that tapestry. When we start to follow our own thread, it reaches back, further and further, to a long-ago world. When we study the past, we are learning about our place in the human story."*

(The Ancient World to the 7<sup>th</sup> Century, Pearson, p. 2)



Response:

Why do you think we study the past? \_\_\_\_\_

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If you could tell a story meant for people living thousands of years from now, what would it be? What would you tell them? What details would you include? How would you record it? Do you think they would be interested in hearing your story? \_\_\_\_\_

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