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Famine Discussion Questions

Instructions: Answer the following questions after completing your readings. Be prepared to dis-

cuss with your classmates. 1. What factors (political, economic, social, and/or environmental) lead to food shortages and famines? 2. How do these factors lead to food shortages and famines? 3. Did you observe any similarities between the causes of historical and current food shortages and famines? Did you notice any differences? 4. Did you notice any similarities or differences between the ways in which people responded to historical and current food shortages and famines? 5. Before this activity, had you heard about the food crises taking place around the world today? In your opinion, why might this be the case?