**AIDS & Famine CLOZE Notes**

**AIDS**

* Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_that is spread through blood and other bodily fluids.
* It attacks and destroys the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, leaving the victim unable to fight off \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**AIDS in Africa**

* About \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ across the continent have AIDS, and 1.5 million have died.
* These deaths have created over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**No Cure**

* Scientists haven’t been able to find a vaccine or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There are drugs that can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the progress of the disease called antiretroviral drugs (AVTs), but they are expensive and many patients can’t afford them.

**Epidemic**

* Poor healthcare systems, poverty, and lack of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, as well as ignorance about the disease and its causes and prevention, contribute to the number of AIDS cases.
* The situation has gotten even worse as a result of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and weak educational and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The epidemic now places a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the healthcare systems on countries that barely have enough resources to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Few African countries have the resources to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Government Stability**

* AIDS has become an epidemic in Africa because the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the lack of stability in African governments.
* A country’s government stability has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the distribution of resources to combat AIDS.

**South Africa**

* AIDS took hold in South Africa just as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the country’s focus was on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ during the early stages of the AIDS epidemic.

**Zimbabwe**

* Zimbabwe has one of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of HIV/AIDS in the world.
* The country also has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ —which has made the situation worse.

**Nigeria**

* In the 1990s, Nigeria’s government began to make AIDS a priority and began to focus on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
* The nation still struggles, but the government is trying to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about prevention.

**Botswana**

* Botswana has maintained a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ since the country gained independence in 1966.
* As a result, Botswana has the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ treat AIDS patients.
* Botswana’s government has provided \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for its citizens.
* It was also the first country to offer the necessary drug therapy for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

**Famine**

* Along with AIDS, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is one of Africa’s biggest problems.
* Famine occurs when a region does not have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_for a long period of time.
* People who are starving can die from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Climate**

* Many African countries face \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because of climate changes.
* Repeated drought has plagued Africa since the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Soil infertility and erosion have decreased the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Government Stability**

* The stability of a country’s government directly impacts the country’s ability to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to prevent famine.
* Civil wars **interrupt daily life** for most people, including farmers, which causes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Some governments have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_instead of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_for their people.
* Other governments have used \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_by denying food shipments to political enemies.