

Activity Sheet 1.10

Role Card 4

Shanty-Town Dwellers

Many of us were farmers who moved to the city some years ago to try to find work. Most of us would do anything to get a job.

Each afternoon a crowd of us go to the market to see if we can get some cheap left-over vegetables from the traders because we have no land to grow our own vegetables.

Some of us like making simple handicrafts from things we find on the rubbish dump to sell on the street.

Both these things happened last week in our area:

- Three families lost their babies because they were not strong enough to survive.
- Two young people were arrested in Botanica City for shoplifting.

Many of us lost all our possessions when our homes were destroyed by government bulldozers.

We used to live near the airport but the government bulldozed our homes to make the area look more respectable to foreign visitors.

There is no electricity in our neighbourhood, we have to fetch all our water in buckets from a standpipe.