

Use the words in brackets to form a new word that fits into each blank.

Africa Rising is a (1) _____ (**SHOCK**) documentary of the problems of people in the (2) _____ (**DEVELOP**) countries of Africa. It shows how a large rural area in Ethiopia takes matters into its own hands to fight (3) _____ (**POOR**).

Ethiopia is a potentially (4) _____ (**WEALTH**) country with enormous resources. However, the (5) _____ (**FAIL**) of Western policies towards Africa has been causing famine and (6) _____ (**STARVE**) in eastern Africa. The film shows that the West must rethink its role in helping the continent.

In the Sodo region of Ethiopia schools have been abandoned; in other areas there is no health care and people must travel for hours to reach the (7) _____ (**NEAR**) doctor or hospital. The whole region is dominated by vast areas of dry and (8) _____ (**PRODUCE**) land where the soil has been washed away.

Western governments and aid (9) _____ (**AGENT**) thought they had the (10) _____ (**SOLVE**) to the problem: pouring billions and billions of dollars in aid into the region with (11) _____ (**PRACTICAL**) no (12) _____ (**LAST**) results. Much of the money ends up in the pockets of foreign aid workers or in accounts of banks far away from the region.

The documentary shows how the (13) _____ (**RESIDE**) of Sodo started helping themselves. Twenty men and women were taught new skills, like dam (14) _____ (**CONSTRUCT**), bricklaying, micro banking , raising livestock and planting new crops. Each of these people passed on their (15) _____ (**KNOW**) to twenty others - and those to twenty more. Within a short period of time, thousands were growing cash crops for the first time, or digging (16) _____ (**IRRIGATE**) systems to stop erosion and the washing away of soil after floods.

In short, the documentary shows the (17) _____ (**SUCCEED**) story of one of the most (18) _____ (**ADVANTAGE**) regions of the world.



Irrigation in Ethiopia

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KEY

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Ethiopia is a potentially (4) **wealthy (WEALTH)** country with enormous resources. However, the (5) **failure (FAIL)** of Western policies towards Africa has been causing famine and (6) **starvation (STARVE)** in eastern Africa. The film shows that the West must rethink its role in helping the continent.

In the Sodo region of Ethiopia schools have been abandoned; in other areas there is no health care and people must travel for hours to reach the (7) **nearest/next (NEAR)** doctor or hospital. The whole region is dominated by vast areas of dry and (8) **unproductive (PRODUCE)** land where the soil has been washed away.

Western governments and aid (9) **agencies (AGENT)** thought they had the (10) **solution (SOLVE)** to the problem: pouring billions and billions of dollars in aid into the region with (11) **practically (PRACTICAL)** no (12) **lasting (LAST)** results. Much of the money ends up in the pockets of foreign aid workers or in accounts of banks far away from the region.

The documentary shows how the (13) **residents (RESIDE)** of Sodo started helping themselves. Twenty men and women were taught new skills, like dam (14) **construction (CONSTRUCT)**, bricklaying, micro banking , raising livestock and planting new crops. Each of these people passed on their (15) **knowledge (KNOW)** to twenty others - and those to twenty more. Within a short period of time, thousands were growing cash crops for the first time, or digging (16) **irrigation (IRRIGATE)** systems to stop erosion and the washing away of soil after floods.

In short, the documentary shows the (17) **successful (SUCCEED)** story of one of the most (18) **disadvantaged (ADVANTAGE)** regions of the world.