

Globalisation: Weighing up the positive and negative (p. 8-9)

In a small group, cut out the 10 strips below and place them on the scales – positive and negative consequences of globalisation. If undecided, place them in the middle of the scales.

Increased international influence of multi-national corporations

Increased influence of American culture and interests around the world

Increase in world trade between countries

Increased movement of people around the world – refugees, migration, tourism

Increased understanding of other cultures

Increased spread of diseases – HIV / AIDS, SARS, Avian flu, Swine flu

Increased spread of different religions around the world

Increased use of cheap labour in poor countries

Increased communications and transport around the world

Increased awareness of environmental issues like whaling, deforestation, and climate change

