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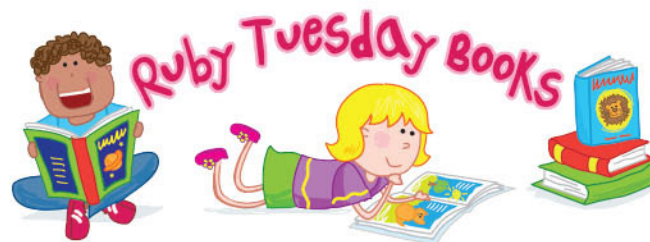
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The picture on the front cover of this book shows boys enjoying bathing in small bowls of water. The boys live in Uganda, in Africa.



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All the places in this book are shown on the map on page 22.



Water in Our World

We need water to drink.



We use water for cooking.





We wash our clothes with water.



We need water to keep clean.

We use water for keeping cool and having fun.



Water in a Desert




Humans cannot survive without having water to drink.

Many people live in places where water is hard to find, however.

The San people live in the Kalahari Desert in Africa.

The San know many ways to find water in this hot, dry land.

One way is to drink rainwater that collects in small holes in trees.



The San get water from the **roots** of plants that are known as milk plants. First, they dig up a root. Then they mash up the flesh of the root and squeeze water from it.

Flesh for squeezing

Milk plant root