# Scarcity and Choice

Grade 3 Social Studies Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

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   his Saturday lunch  swimming on Saturday  soccer on Saturday

2. There are 12 bus seats and 20 riders. Which choice is fair?

   let 12 riders sit and the rest walk

   run a second bus trip

   let only the oldest riders ride

3. Why do people have to make choices?

   Everything in stores is free.

   Stores sell only one thing.

   They cannot have everything they want.

4. A class has 1 garden hose for 8 garden beds. What will happen?

   Every bed gets water at once.

   The beds will not need water.

   Some beds must wait for water.

5. Jo has $4. A ball costs $4 and a puzzle costs $4. Why must she choose?

   Both toys are free.

   The puzzle costs more than $4.

   She has money for only one.

6. Which of these is scarce?

   a seat for every child at lunch

   a drink of water for every child

   3 swings for 10 children at recess

7. Lily can watch a movie or play outside before dinner. She plays outside. What does she give up?

watching the movie  playing outside  eating dinner

8. There are 2 art kits and 18 students. What is the problem?

There are too many kits.

There are not enough kits for everyone.

Every student already has a kit.

9. Ana has $5. She can buy a kite or a book. She buys the kite. What does she give up?

a trip to the store  the book  the kite

10. Which of these shows scarcity?

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enough chairs for the whole class

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