**CHARITIES**

**Amnesty International**

*Who or what the charity tries to help?*

It tries to release prisoners of conscience, men and women who are in prison because of their beliefs, coulor, language or religion.

*How the charity helps?*

It tries to get fair trials by publicizing the cases and putting pressure on governments to practice human rights.

*Some of their successes and/or problems:*

In their twenty years they have helped prisoners in over sixty countries and have won peace prizes.

**Royal society for the prevention of cruelty to animals – RSPCA**

*Who or what the charity tries to help?*

It tries to stop cruelty to animals in England and Wales. It also works for the welfare of animals in the wild, for example whales and badgers.

*How the charity helps?*

They find new homes for about 80.000 animals, treat over 200.000 sick animals, and investigate over 100.00 complaints of cruelty.

*Some of their successes and/or problems:*

They are the world experts at cleaning birds that have been caught in oil spills. They receive no aid from the government.

**Drought and famine in Africa**

*Who or what the charity tries to help?*

It helps people in Africa who are suffering from drought and famine.

*How the charity helps?*

They supply towns and camps with food and medical supplies.

*Some of their successes and/or problems:*

In some parts of Africa, it hasn’t rained for three years. Refugees are going form the countryside into the towns looking for food. One thousand people a day are dying. They need more food and medical supplies, doctors, nurses, blankets, tents and clothes.