

Questions about life in Uganda

Jobs

What age do you begin work?

The age when people begin office work is 24 years after finishing Institution from The age of 6 a child start primary education up to year 13 years then a child get to secondary education from age 14 up to the age of 20 after that the child get to university or institution for 2 to 4 years then one begins office work

Do children work?

Children do a lot of domestic work like washing plates cleaning compound, cooking, fetching water for the family, collecting farming, firewood, looking after animals etc Some go for casual work to look for food or little money for the school fees

What jobs do women do?

Women who are not educated do domestic work like cooking, agricultural work and mainly giving birth and keeping the children But the few who happened to go to school do the office work like being secretaries, financial accounting, administration etc

What jobs do men do?

Men who have not gone to school do the domestic work mainly peasant farming, the join forces, the do other casual works like making charcoal , bricks, planting trees etc. But those who got some training from schools do the official work as in other countries.

How much does the average worker get paid?

The average worker get the minimum of 6, 000 shilling per day i.e. 2 pounds per day

Do old people work?

Yes old people work since here survival is for the fittest, The is no much saving for the future and one has to work until death for him to survive

Do you have to have certain qualifications for jobs?

Yes you have to have certain qualification for a job

Schools

Do all children go to school?

These days we have universal education from primary one to primary seven but even with that not all children go to school, but after primary seven most of the children drop off due to lack of school fees

How do they get to school?

You must walk on foot to get to school unless you parent can afford paying for a bicycle man to carry you to school daily

What lessons do school children do?

The learn all the basic lesson both science subjects, like biology, chemistry, mathematic, History, economic commerce, English or languages , general science, social studies etc

Do both male and female go to school?

Yes both male and men go to school

What age do children start school?

From the age of 6 in the rural setting but in urban setting children start going to nursery school from the age of 3 years

What age do they leave school?

If all goes well the leave the school at the age of 24 years

What time do they start and finish school?

The start classes at 830 am and ends at 430 pm

Schools

Do all children get education?

Yes.

Do they wear a school uniform?

Yes those children who go to school get education but not all put on school uniform

Do you have boarding Schools?

We have boarding school but most of them are private school which are very expensive for the majority parents to take their children there

Houses

What materials are most houses made of?

Most houses are made of un burnt bricks, we call it mud blocks and grass roof, few are make using burnt bricks and cement and iron sheets

How many rooms does the average house have?

The average house has 2 rooms i.e. leaving room and bed room

How many floors are there?

Literaraly there is one floor without any hope of adding the next floor

Do they build their own houses?

Yes, each one has to build his house unless you have money and you want to come to town where you can rent a house for your family but then you have to buy a piece of land and build for yourself

Are all houses waterproof?

No, but some few houses are waterproof

Do they have running water in their houses?

No, there may be a tap in the street in the towns.

Do they have electricity in the houses?

Only in town settings where some few houses have electricity but the majority use lamps or firewood to light the home

Do they go to the toilet inside or outside?

Almost all go to toilet outside some go in the bush for toilet

Typical Diet

Do they get a variety of foods?

No, people eat just to survive no balance diet except for the few working class

What is the typical diet?

Mainly carbohydrate and protein

What do they drink most of the time?

They drink just water which is not even purified or cleanse hence most people die of water bone diseases

Do they have the same food everyday?

Yes they have the same food almost every day; there is no change of diet

Do they trade food at the markets?

Yes, agriculture is the major source of financial income for the family, so the trade food in the market to raise money for other things

Are all people vegetarians?

Yes every body eat vegetables but not by choic or fashion.

What type of food do they grow?

They grow cereals, beans, roots crops like cassava, millet, oil crops like groundnut, beans, banana maize, rice, and some commercial crops like cotton, Tobacco, coffee, tea.

How many meals do you eat?

In a day most people eat 2 meals except for the few working people who can take breakfast in the morning, but most people take lunch and supper only.

Transport**Do they have cars?**

Some children only ever see cars when they come to town or the main centres but even their parents will never have one.

Do they travel by animals?**What sort of transport do they have?**

No people do not travel by animals but mainly walk on foot and bicycles sometimes

Do they ever leave your village?

Very rarely or no.

Children, games**Do they have electronic games?**

No, There is nothing like electronic games here, even computers are still rare and few people know it

Do they play sport?**What kind of games do you play?****What do they play?**

Yes children play sport and other games especially foot ball, athletic, shooting, and making holes in the ground and ply with it, hide and seek, local draft etc.

Do like like to play outside?

There are no indoor games except out side games so there is no alternative.

Do girls play different games to boys?

Both boys and girls play the same games

Do they have balls to play ball games or do they have to use something else?

In the Rural settings sometimes they make their local ball and play with but in urban settings they have the real balls. Sometimes dry banana leaves wrapped in the shape of a ball for both football and netball.

Do they play football/soccer?

Yes they play foot ball and soccer

Structure of Families**How many people live in the average house?**

Ten people per household or family

Do most family members live in the same village?

Yes, they have extended family setting and people live in the same village

What members of a family live in one house?

There is a father, mother, young children from 12 yeas downward and the dependants.

How many children does an average family have?

9 children in average per family

Hospitals / doctors**Are hospitals clean?**

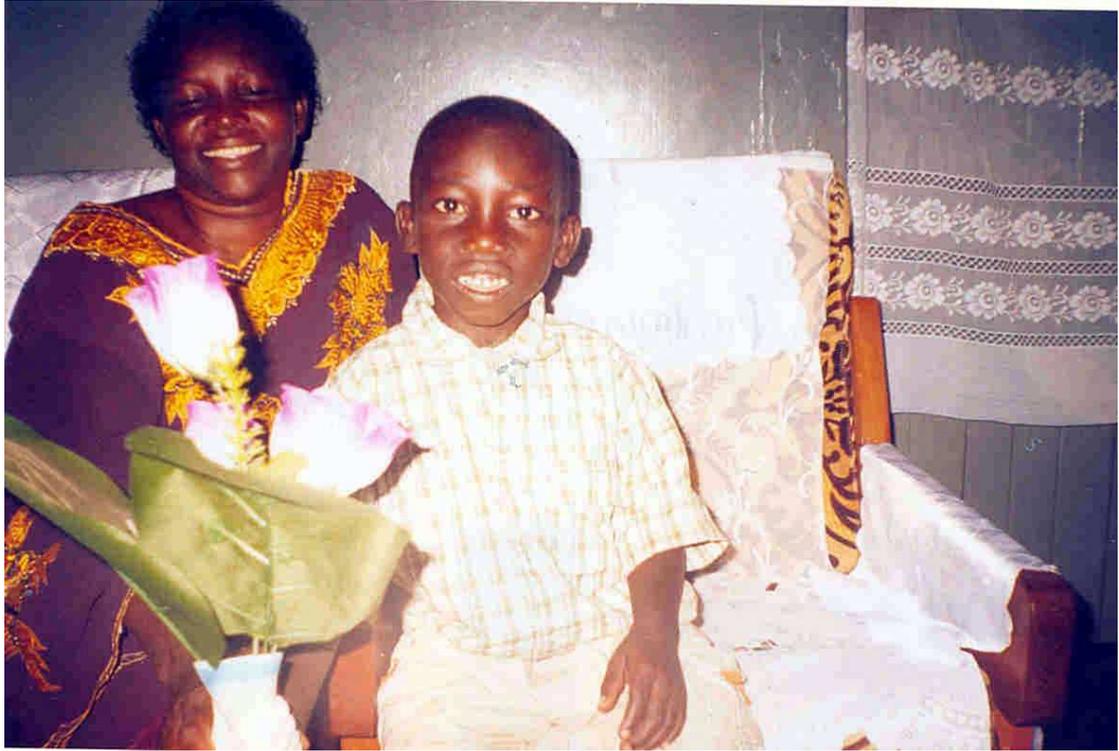
Hospitals are not clean but very dirty and unhygienic

Is there good treatment?

No there is no good service and treatment in the Hospitals, there may be in private clinics, which are very expensive for the poor family.

How many hospitals are there in the area?

One in a district or region maybe the size of an English county like Nottinghamshire.



From Jonathan Purkweri with his mum, Jane.