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The common phrases used to describe the rich world include "the developed countries" and "the advanced **industrial** countries". To describe very poor countries, we usually refer to "The Third World".

It can be more **diplomatic** to speak of "the developing countries", though this **description** is often applied to countries which are not so very poor. **Economists** also refer to "the North South divide" to **emphasize** that countries in the northern hemisphere are generally richer than those in the southern hemisphere namely Africa and Latin America. People in the rich world have mixed **attitudes** towards giving **aid** to Third World countries. As for the question, who must help who is still a big question for everybody.

Vocabulary**Economist****Aid**

Response

- 1 Is the passage informative? What are the information you have known?
2. Do you see the truthfulness of the passage claim? What is it?
3. Does region guarantee the country's economic development? Why? Or Why not?



Express Yourself

1. What kind of aid should the governments of rich countries give to poor countries?
2. Would you like to be an overseas volunteer in a Third World country? If so, which one and how could you contribute to that country's development?
3. Are the poor become poor because they are poor or because they are lazy?
4. One of the common phrase uttered by poor people is “ God will help us” Do you think the influence of religion to people's lives has something to do with their status?