

Children affected by Ebola in Sierra Leone



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Between May 2014 and November 2015, 12,000 children in Sierra Leone lost one or both parents to the Ebola disease. Many of these children have been forced to drop out of school and work to support themselves.



6 million people live in Sierra Leone.



A child born in Sierra Leone has the life expectancy of **51**



1.4\$ billion in GDP was lost in Sierra Leone due to the Ebola Crisis.



37% of 5-14 year olds in Sierra Leone are child labourers.



3 in every **4** city inhabitants in Sierra Leone live in a slum.



Just **£3** could provide a **counseling session** for a child orphaned by Ebola.



£70 could pay for a child orphaned by Ebola to go to **secondary school** for a **whole year**.

Discussion points

- 1 What problems do orphans in Sierra Leone face?
- 2 What are their chances of a brighter future?