Activity No.1

Why is swimming in reservoirs dangerous?

Firstly, let’s test your knowledge on reservoirs. Below are some statements and key facts about reservoirs, but there are gaps in the statement. Use the internet to try and fill out as many of the gaps as possible. Answers are at the end of this pack – no peeking until you have completed this.

United Utilities has ____ reservoirs across the North West, the biggest is Haweswater in the Lake District which holds 84,839,000 litres of water – that’s the equivalent of ________ cups of tea.

Reservoirs contain machinery that can be ________ and ________.

The water in a reservoir never really gets above __°C even on the hottest of days. Jumping into a reservoir can cause cold water shock which can kill even the fittest of people within __ seconds.

The number of lifeguards on duty at reservoirs is ____.

Over ___ people drown in the UK and Ireland every year and many more suffer injuries, some life-changing, through non-fatal drowning experiences.

You are more likely to die from drowning than by being hit by a ____ or in a fire.