

Pulitzer Center



Directions: After reading the section "The Great Equalizing" from *The New York Times Magazine* article "The Living Century," respond to the following questions:

What evidence does the author provide to support the statement that "[t]he decade following the initial mass production of antibiotics marked the most extreme moment of life-span inequality globally"?	
What is cholera, and how has it impacted countries worldwide?	
What is Oral Rehydration Therapy (ORT), and how has it been used to treat cholera?	
What role did community outreach play in expanding the use of ORT in Bangladesh, and how have other countries learned from this approach?	
How did the following lead to the eradication of smallpox?	
 Scientific research about the virus itself Ring vaccination The development of institutions like the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) 	

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 Organization by local health personnel and communities 	
Why was extinction of this virus a monumental achievement?	