

Life Expectancy - What Makes the Difference? - Exercises 1

1 ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN YOUR OWN WORDS !

How has American life expectancy changed in the past century? _____

Why are the people of Okinawa so special ? _____

Which country has the highest life expectancy ? _____

Give reasons : _____

Which factors have an influence on how long people live? _____

Which country has the lowest life expectancy in Africa ? Why? _____

What are the problems of this African nation? _____

2 EXPLAIN IN ENGLISH

diet _____

centenarian _____

envy _____

gross domestic product _____

resident _____

sanitation _____

vitality _____

maintenance costs _____

goods _____

3 MATCH THE WORDS WITH THE DEFINITIONS

A	according to		to have a position in a list
B	destination		when people have too little money to exist
C	occur		as shown by someone or something
D	poverty line		to have great energy or strength
E	rank		very long
F	lengthy		a place where someone or something is going
G	vitality		happen

4 PUT THE FOLLOWING LINES OF THE TEXT INTO THE CORRECT ORDER !

_____ this small island. In Europe Andorrans are the people who live longest. The

_____ become a popular tourist attraction. Among the countries with the lowest

_____ population are infected with HIV. In some areas there is not enough safe

_____ **1** People from Okinawa, an island that belongs to Japan, have the highest

_____ life expectancy is Swaziland, a small African country. People there only

_____ country lies between Spain and France and has only about 72,000 people.

_____ drinking water for all of the people and sanitation is poor.

_____ life expectancy on Earth. Nowhere are there more centenarians than on

_____ Until World War II it was a poor country, but in the last decades it has

_____ live an average of 38 years. One of the reasons is that almost 40 % of the

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5 WHY ARE THERE SUCH DIFFERENCES IN LIFE EXPECTANCY! WHY DON'T PEOPLE IN THE THIRD WORLD LIVE AS LONG AS WE DO ? WHAT PROBLEMS MAY COME UP IF WE GET OLDER AND OLDER ? WRITE AN ESSAY !

