

World Population

Answer the following questions !

How many people live on our earth today ? _____

Why didn't world population grow for a long time ? Give reasons ! _____

Why did many Europeans die during the Middle Ages ? _____

About when did the world's population start to grow quickly? _____

Give reasons for this rapid growth ? _____

What happened to population growth during the second part of the 20th century

- in the industrialized countries _____
- in the developing countries _____

Which countries have a population of over 1 billion : _____

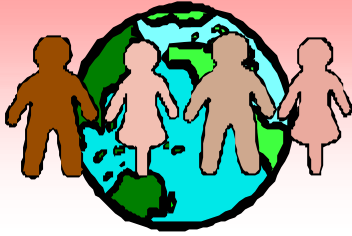
Which region or continent has the highest growth rate ? _____

Name regions around the world that are very densely populated:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

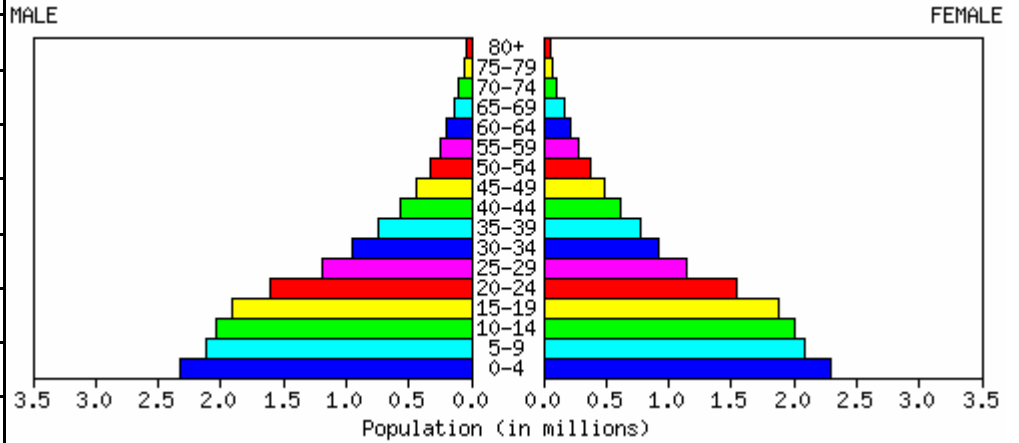
Why do most of the people live north of the equator ? _____

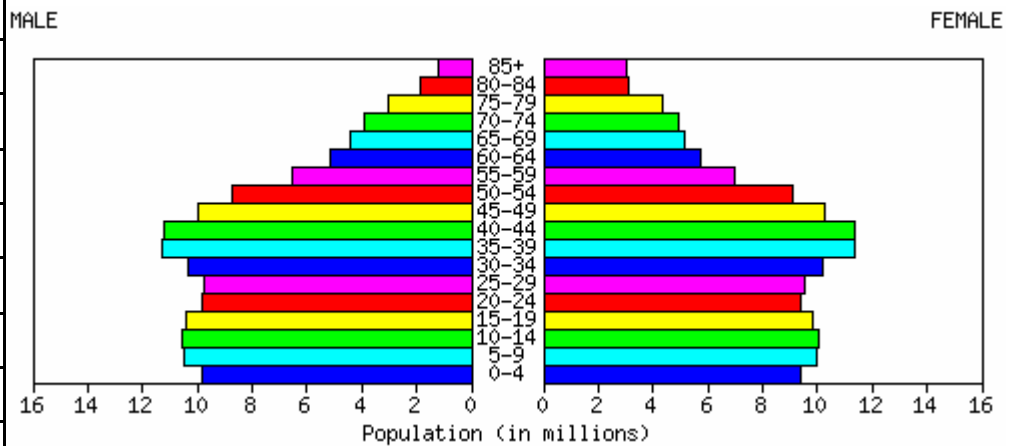
Why is the north-western part of Europe very densely populated ? _____

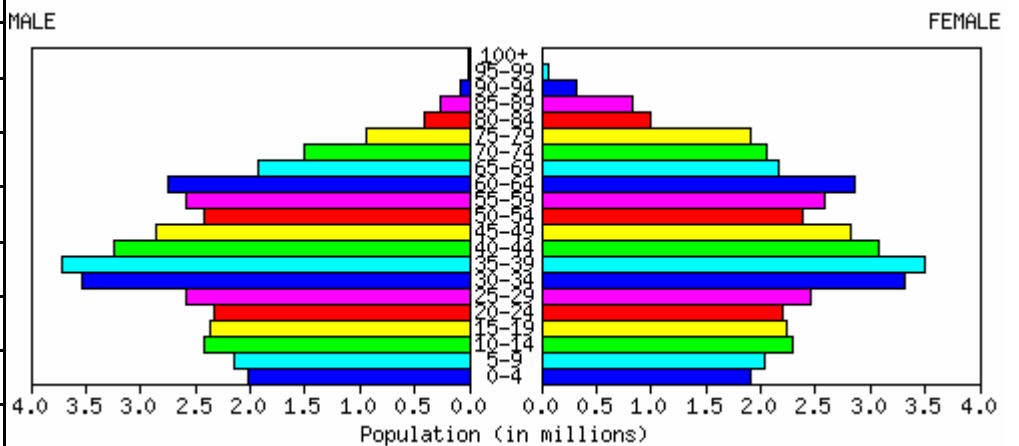


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What do these population pyramids tell you? What kind of problems do these counties have? Give an example of a country with such a pyramid!





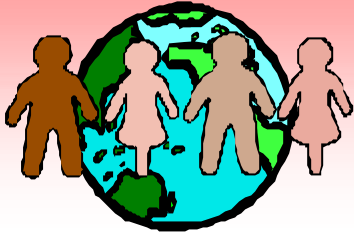




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Population Vocabulary—Match the words on the left with the definitions on the right !

A	plague		the number of people living in a place
B	billion		things that exist in nature and can be used by people, like wood or oil
C	population		the way people live and how much money they have
D	moderate		another word for "old"
E	raw material		an operation that kills an unborn baby
F	citizen		the money that you have to pay to the government
G	elderly		against the law
H	peak		a disease that spreads fast and kills many people
I	abortion		a small group of people who live in a country
J	minority		not too hot and not too cold
K	tax		everything that has to do with the countryside
L	living standard		one thousand million
M	illegal		the highest point of something
N	rural		to die because you don't have enough to eat
O	starve		a person who lives in a country and has rights there



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Explain what these words and phrases mean in English !

Birth rate _____

Immigrant _____

Zero growth _____

Baby boom _____

Developing countries _____

Densely populated _____

Infant mortality _____

Life expectancy _____

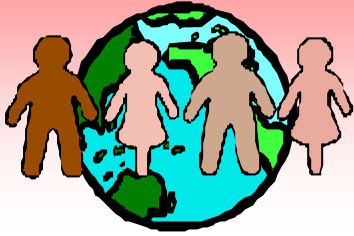
Famine _____

Fertility rate _____

Raw materials _____

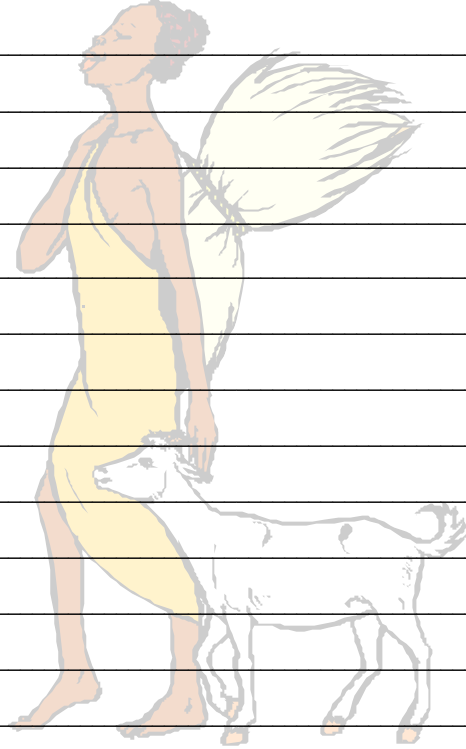
Pensioner _____

Birth control pill _____

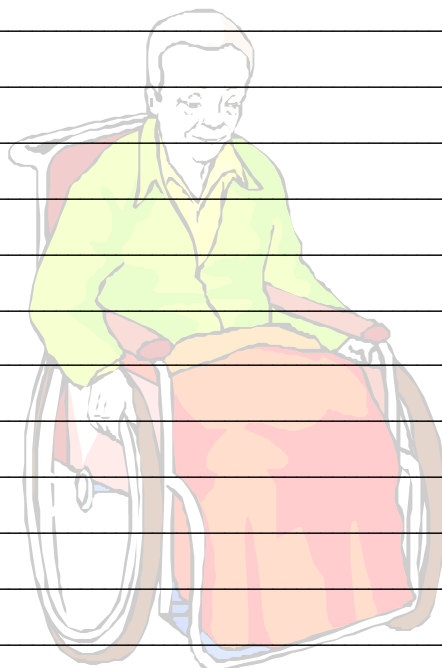


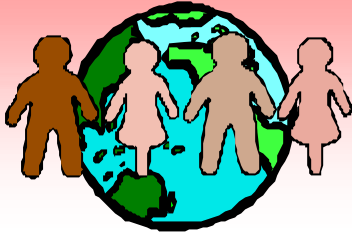
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Write about the status of women in the Third World ! What are their problems ?



All industrialized countries suffer from an ageing society. What are the problems that these countries have and how can they deal with them?





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Complete the text on the DANGERS OF OVERPOPULATION by filling in the correct words from the box !

Population growth is causing many problems for our _____. The atmosphere is getting hotter and hotter because more and more trees are _____, especially in _____ rain forests.

People need more room to live and take away the _____ of animals and plants. Cities produce a lot of _____, which they cannot get rid of.

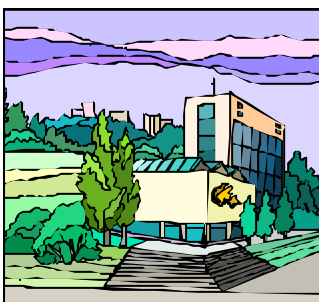
Farmers cannot produce enough food to _____ the growing population. They must grow more food on the same land. This means that the _____ of the _____ is getting worse.

Many countries must already buy _____ food from industrial countries and in some areas people don't have enough _____ drinking water either.

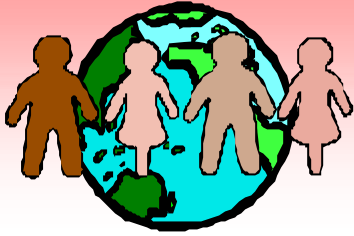
In _____ countries families have too many children. The _____ family in Africa has five children and young people have to _____ their parents and grandparents.

_____ will be going up over the next _____, especially in Third World countries.

Governments cannot _____ enough jobs to give work to younger _____. People who are out of work try to get money by doing _____ things like _____ or _____ with drugs.

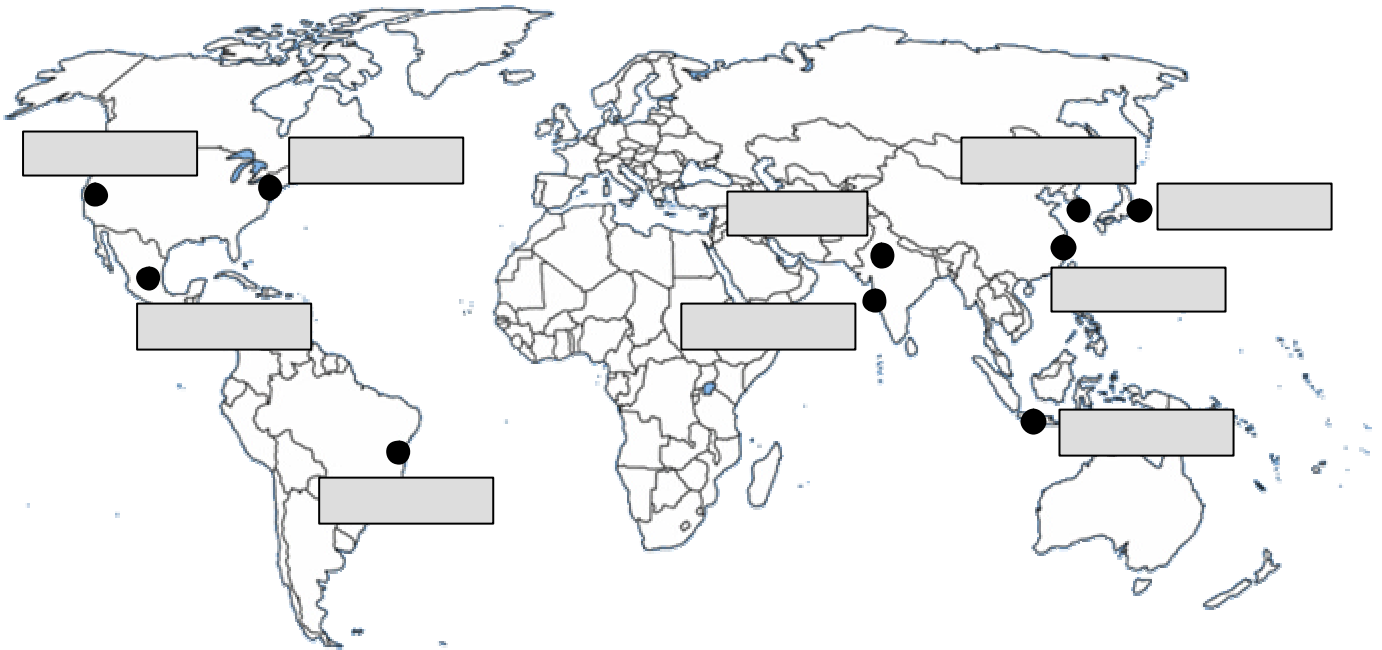


average	dealing	expensive	soil
care for	decades	feed	stealing
citizens	destroyed	habitats	tropical
clean	developing	illegal	unemployment
create	environment	quality	waste



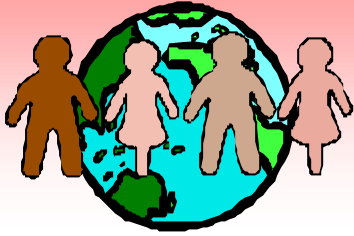
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Put the names of the cities into the map below !



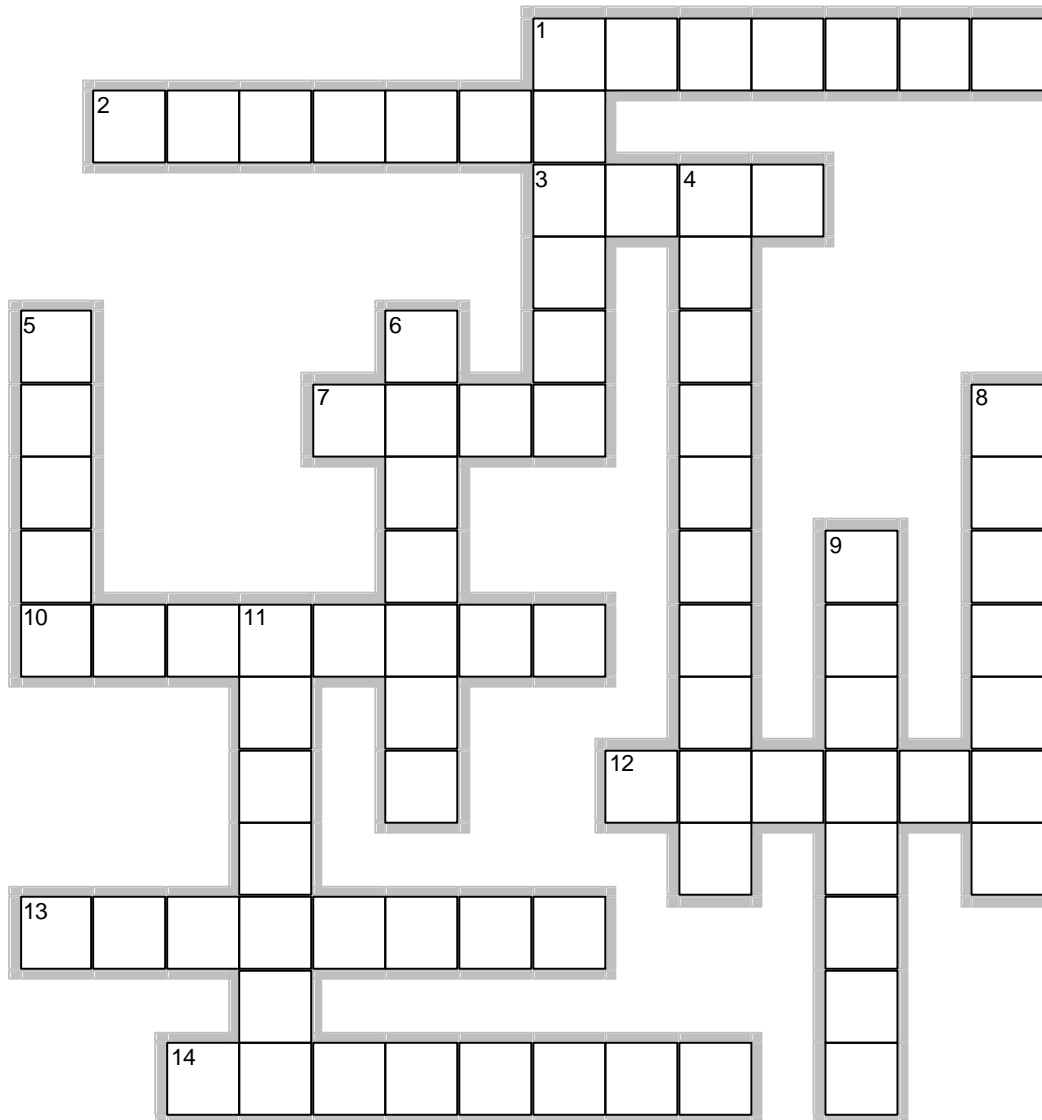
Which of these statements on cities are true or false ?

	T	F
In 1800, only 3 % of the world's population lived in cities.		
Today , about 20 % of the population live in urban areas .		
The biggest city in the world is Delhi.		
Death rates in cities are low because they have more doctors and hospitals.		
Asian and African cities are growing very fast today .		
Many people do not want to go to the cities because they can not find a job there.		
Cities offer better schools and education.		
During the 19th century cities in Europe and North America grew quickly because many indus-		



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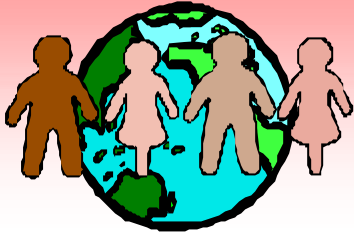


Across

1. the money that you get from the government when you are too old to work
2. not allowed, against the law
3. disease, in which your body cannot protect itself and you usually die after a certain time
7. to get coal or other raw materials out of the ground
10. an operation that kills an unborn baby
12. the money that you get for your work
13. if a woman has a baby growing in her body
14. a very big city with millions of people

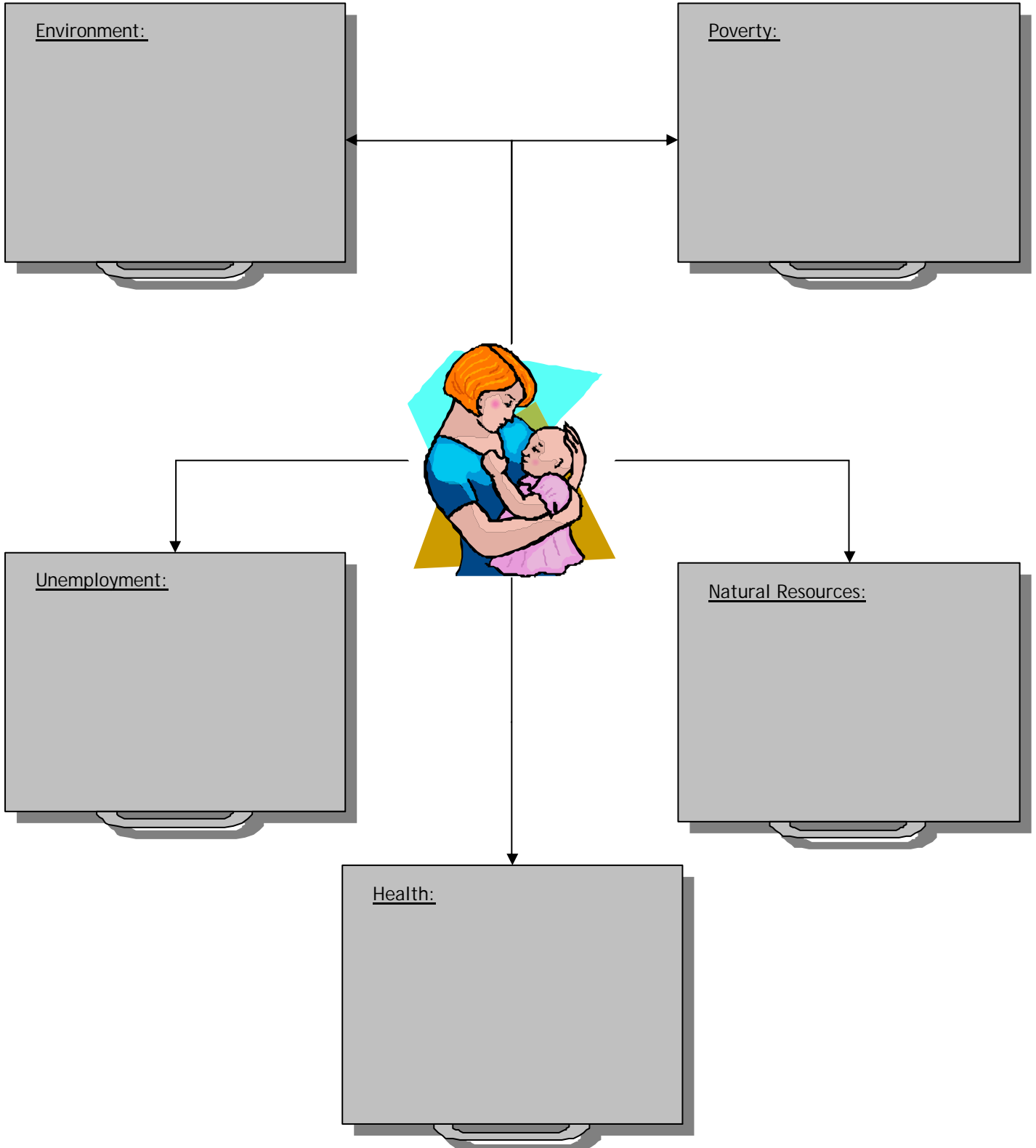
Down

1. a disease that spreads very fast and kills many people
4. someone who is from a family and lived a long time ago
5. country with over one billion people
6. one thousand million
8. a person who lives in a country and has rights there
9. a small group of people in a country
11. someone who has to leave his own country, mostly because of war



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Write a few sentences about the dangers of overpopulation !





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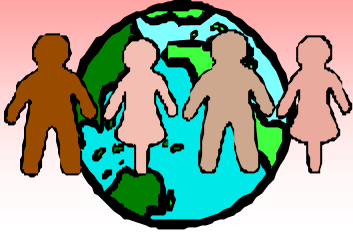
How well do you know numbers ?? Put the right numbers next to the facts below

6.5 billion - 295 million - 1.5 % - 51 - 23 million - 6.7 - 33 - 61 %

- _____ World's population today
- _____ Asia's proportion of world population
- _____ Birth rate in Niger (per thousand people)
- _____ Population of the USA
- _____ Number of children born per woman in Uganda
- _____ Population of Mexico City
- _____ Growth rate of world population
- _____ Life expectancy in Swaziland

Which of these statements on migration are true or false ?

	T	F
The USA is made up of people whose descendants have come there in the last 200 years.		
Some people think they can get better jobs in other countries.		
Many Americans go to Mexico because they can work there.		
Thousands of Irish men and women left the country during the Middle Ages.		
There are a lot of Eastern European workers in Western European countries.		
People can only get into another country if the government lets them.		
The potato crisis left many people in south-eastern Europe homeless.		
A lot of Africans and Asians go to the rich countries of the Middle East to work there		
Countries with low birth rates do not need workers from other countries.		



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The status of women – Make sentences by using one part from each section . Write them down below !

1	2	3
Educated women know	of all AIDS victims	and care for their children
Women who go to school	more about birth control	are young women
In industrialized countries	can slow down	go to work and have jobs
More than 75 %	many women are at home	on to their babies
In developing countries	may pass AIDS	and health care
Helping women in the Third World	have better chances	the population explosion
In Africa young girls	more and more women	of getting a job



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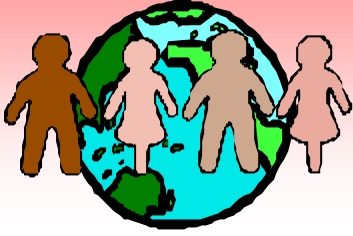
Rewrite the paragraphs

The facts in the following text are partly wrong. Underline the parts that are wrong and rewrite a correct version of the text in the second box !

People have been living on earth for 10,000 years. At that time people died quickly because others killed them. Early inhabitants were farmers and miners.

When Jesus was born about 1 billion people lived on earth. In the Middle Ages the population grew very quickly . Many people died of malaria which sailors brought to Europe from America.

During the Industrial Revolution birth rates began to fall . Farmers could grow more food because many workers helped them and people lived shorter. By 1960 there were 6 billion people on earth.



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Look for 12 words about population (⇒⇐↓↗↘) and mark them.

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