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World Geography
Unit 3 – Earth’s Human Geography
Test

Term Identification (Worth 2 pts. Each)

Directions: Pick a word from the box that best completes the sentences below

population	urban area	population density	rural area	Demographer
population distribution	urbanization	birth rate	“push-pull” theory	death rate
life expectancy	Green Revolution	migration		

1. The number of years that a person is expected, on average, to live: _____.
2. A scientist who studies human populations, including their size; growth; density; distribution; and rates of births, marriages, and deaths: _____.
3. The movement of people from one country or region to another in order to make a new home: _____.
4. The people living in a particular region; especially, the total number of people in an area: _____.
5. Changes in agriculture since the 1950s that have greatly increased the world’s food supply: _____.
6. An area with low population density, such as a village or the countryside: _____.
7. The average number of deaths each year: _____.
8. An area with a high population density, such as a city: _____.
9. A theory of migration that says people migrate because certain things in their lives “push” them to leave, and certain things in a new place “pull” them: _____.
10. The average number of people living in a given area: _____.
11. The growth of city populations caused by the movement of people to cities: _____.
12. The average number of live births each year: _____.
13. How a population is spread over an area: _____.



Multiple Choice (Worth 4 pts. each)

Directions: Circle the letter of the best answer that completes the sentence.

1. What do demographers use to explain the reasons for immigration?
 - a. Interviews
 - b. The “push – pull” theory
 - c. The transportation theory
 - d. Computers

2. What types of areas do people want to live in?
 - a. Where there are drive-in movies
 - b. Where they can get government assistance
 - c. Areas with plenty of deserts
 - d. Places with fertile soil, plenty of water, and desirable climates.

3. Why do many people leave the rural area and go to the urban areas?
 - a. They are looking for jobs and decent houses only
 - b. They are looking for jobs, decent houses, and good schools
 - c. To become a movie star
 - d. To begin farming

4. Why is population distribution uneven?
 - a. Because people are restless
 - b. Because of rainfall
 - c. Because of the climates
 - d. Because people are choosy

5. What is *the biggest* problem faced by the world’s population today?
 - a. A shortage of jobs
 - b. A shortage of food
 - c. A shortage in natural resources
 - d. A shortage of new inventions.

6. Why does more than 81% of the Earth’s population live in Asia, Europe, and North America?
 - a. Those are the only places that you can find a McDonald’s.
 - b. These continents have fertile soil, fresh water, and rich natural resources.
 - c. These continents have fertile soil, fresh water, and plenty of fun!
 - d. That is where the newest technological advances are.

7. Why did many people leave Vietnam for the United States?
 - a. South Vietnamese people did not want to live under the communist government that was now in place.
 - b. Both a and c are correct.
 - c. The United States welcomed these immigrants.
 - d. None of the above.



8. What do demographers figure out when they compare birth rates and death rates?
 - a. Population distribution
 - b. Population density
 - c. How healthy habits contribute to life and death.
 - d. Population growth

9. What does a country have if it has a *high population density*?
 - a. Very few people per square mile
 - b. Lots of urban areas
 - c. Overcrowding
 - d. Lots of rural areas

10. Because of the increase in food supply and better medical care, what has the world's population done?
 - a. Become better farmers and doctors.
 - b. Increased (gone up).
 - c. Decreased (gone down).
 - d. Life expectancy has been lowered.

Average Population Density: (Worth 3 pts. each)

Directions: find the average population density of the following cities. Make sure you show your work and label your answer correctly!

1. *Smalltown, Kansas:*
$$\frac{\text{population of city residents only}}{280} \qquad \frac{\text{square miles}}{0.5 (\frac{1}{2} \text{ mile})}$$

2. *Boise, Idaho:*
$$\frac{\text{population of city residents only}}{181,711} \qquad \frac{\text{square miles}}{1,645}$$

