

The People Bomb

1. How has life been improving in the developing world?
2. Increasing population has contributed to other problems. List some.

Who's Overpopulated?

3. Overpopulation is a combination of how many people in an area and what other factor?
4. What is the national average fertility in Nepal?
5. What is the environmental impact of a typical North American baby born compared to one in a poor country?
6. Although the developed world is only 25% of the world population it is responsible for
 ___% of energy
 ___% of wood
 ___% of steel
 ___% of all CO₂ produced
7. While rich nations are "throw away" societies, how do poor nations dispose of waste?

Megacities

8. What factors contribute to the problems in cities?
9. Why do people move to cities?
10. Why is fertility high in cities?
11. Explain the effect of crime.

Desperate Decisions

12. What two problems are caused by government regulations against abortion?
13. How many women die from complication caused by abortions?
14. How can contraception be available but not accessible?
15. In Ethiopia, what percent of the eligible population gets government-provided contraception?
16. How does the cost of contraception compare to total income in Ethiopia?
17. What is the new main focus of birth control programs?

A Woman's Place

18. How does the cultural desire to have male children affect population?
19. What effect(s) does the fact that women are seen as laborers have on them?
20. What is the death rate among Indian women?
21. How is the low status of women the largest single factor contributing to population growth?
22. Describe the difference between male and female attitudes toward each other.

Son Mania

23. At what rate are babies being born in India?
24. Why do women want to know if their unborn child is male or female?
25. In the studied mentioned, what conclusion was made about male and female fetuses aborted?
26. Why are new laws difficult to pass?
27. How do very poor families cope with the desire for male children?

When Babies Die

28. In Nepal, how many children die each day?
29. How does the high infant mortality contribute to population growth?

30. Although medical clinics exist, why is infant mortality still high?
31. What is the mortality rate among children in Nepal?
32. What is being done?

Abuse

33. What desperate measure have some governments forced on the poor as a means of controlling population growth?
34. Why have sterilization camps become dangerous places for many women?
35. How many women die each year in sterilization operations?
36. What new measures are being adopted?

All God's Children

37. In Manila, how many people live in the dump?
38. Among Catholics, what has been a main contributing factor to the continued belief that contraception is a sin?
39. How many people live in poverty in the Philippines?
40. After making some progress, why has the use of contraception declined?

No Choice

41. What two problems is Bolivia saddled with?
42. Why is family planning not a current priority for the government?
43. Although many women want to have fewer children, why don't they?
44. Why does the rhythm method not work for Bolivian women?
45. The rich and poor have different opinions about family planning which contributes to the cycle of poverty. Explain the difference.

The Price of Success

46. One of the world's poorest countries, how was Indonesia able to pay for family planning?
47. What were the main parts of their plan?
48. What effect did the plan have on fertility?
49. What was the danger?

The Machismo Factor

50. Why do Mexican women accept the infidelity of their husbands?
51. What is the effect on the population?
52. How is the plan in Mexico different from that in other parts of the world?

China's Crossroads

53. What benefits are linked to the 'One Child Policy' in China?
54. Although the policy worked for some time, what problem is contributing to its downfall?
55. Why are sons favored in China?
56. How has the economy affected the policy?
57. What changes have been made to improve the policy?

India's Victory

58. What example has Kerala set for the rest of India?
59. What have been the three key components to the success?