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Read the following Questions and Answer throughly and try to understand and write in your H.W.COPY.

Answer the following questions.

Question 1(1).

Why are people considered as a resource?

Answer:

People, according to their demands and abilities, turn nature's bounty into useful things. Hence, people are considered a resource.

Question 1(2).

What are the causes for the uneven distribution of population in the world?

Answer:

Causes for uneven distribution of population are

- Uneven topography – Mountainous or plateau region are sparsely populated while plains are densely populated as they are suitable for various economic activities such as farming, manufacturing and tertiary activities, etc.
- Climate – People like to live in mild climatic regions and avoid extreme climates. Thus, very hot like Sahara desert and very cold like Antarctica are sparsely populated.
- Soil – Fertile plains like Ganga- the Brahmaputra in India, Hwang Ho in China- are densely populated.
- Water – People prefer to live in areas where fresh water is easily available.
- Minerals – Areas rich in mineral deposits are densely populated. The Discovery of oil in the Middle East lead to the settling of people in this area.

Question 1(3).

The world population has grown very rapidly. Why?

Answer:

The world population has grown very rapidly due to

- Better food supplies.
- Medical facilities.
- The rapid increase in natural growth rate.

Question 1(4).

Discuss the role of any two factors influencing population change?

Answer:

(1) The population change occur due to changes in the number of births and deaths. In the early 1970s, the population was 3 billion. In 1999, less than 30 years later the population doubled to 6 billion. This change occurs mainly due to a rapid increase in

the natural growth rate. Besides, better food supplies and medicine were other reasons.

(2) Population size also gets affected due to migration. The population of the USA increased due to immigration while the population of Sudan decreased due to emigration.

Question 1(5).

What is meant by population composition?

Answer:

A population pyramid is a pictorial way to describe the population composition. The shape of the population pyramid of a country is indicative of a lot of information about the country. The size towards the bottom may be used to estimate the birth rate, while the size towards the top to estimate the death rate.

Question 1(6).

What are population pyramids? How do they help in understanding the population of a country?

Answer:

Population composition refers to the structure of the population. The composition of the population helps us to know the variation in age, sex, literacy level, health condition, occupation, and income

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