

Five World Factbook *demographic* statistics!

Comparing *demographics* from around the world

Directions: To complete this activity, you will be using the cia.gov World Factbook website. You have learned about this website in class. Now it is your turn to explore the website and learn some fun and interesting *demographic* facts about people and places around the world.

You will be learning about countries other than the United States. This means that the good ‘ole U S of A will NOT be one of the countries you select for this activity! Select one country from five different continents. For example, one country from South America, one from Europe, one from Asia, etc. List the countries in the left column of the table.

You will then select **three (3) different *demographic* statistics** to compare between these five countries. Make sure you understand what each statistic means! If you don’t understand the statistic, click on it for a definition or select a different statistic that you do understand. Write a definition for each statistic – a brief explanation of what the statistic means. For example, if you are doing *population* as one of your demographic facts, define *population*. Find the appropriate information for each country. For example, if *population* is one of your facts, you will find the *population* for each one of your five countries. Complete the table below for all five countries you select. Remember, one country per continent!

You will use your “Chromie” to complete this assignment. The link is in Google Classroom.

TABLE 1: CIA.GOV WORLD FACTBOOK FUN FACTS

NAME of the Country <i>and</i> the Continent where it is located	LIFE EXPECTANCY Definition:	BIRTH RATE Definition:	“You Choose” Stat Definition:	“You Choose” Stat Definition:	“You Choose” Stat Definition:

Questions:

1. With so many different demographic statistics, explain why you selected the three *demographic* stats to complete this assignment. From your list, explain which *demographic* statistic is the **most interesting**.
2. Look at your completed table. Explain which stat helps you to best understand the similarities between your five countries. How does this fact help you understand how the people in these countries are alike?
3. Using the completed table. Explain which stat helps you to best understand the differences between the countries. How does this fact help you understand how the people in these countries are different?

Class Discussion and Sharing:

4. Listen to you classmates share their facts. What are two (2) different demographic statistics that somebody else looked up that you thought were interesting? Write the definition for each of these *demographic* statistics.
 - Interesting *demographic* fact #1 I heard and its definition:

 - Interesting *demographic* fact #2 I heard and its definition:
5. Which **country's** *demographic* statistic did you find the most surprising? Explain how and/or why this *demographic* fact surprised you. Explain what it might tell you about the lives of people in that country.