

Note Taking Test

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Assume your teacher gave the following talk in your Social Studies class:

1. Use your knowledge of Cornell Notes to take notes on what you read from the talk:

“Too Many Mouths”

One of the most important problems facing developing countries today is the rapid increase in population. In the last 25 years, the population of the world has doubled. As the developing world has a population growth rate which is twice that of the developed world, most of that population increase has taken place in the poorer countries of the world. The main point to be made here is that more and more people are concentrated in those countries which are least able to provide a living for them.

What is responsible for this population rise is not an increase in fertility, but a sharp decline in the death rate in developing countries. In the absence of birth control, the maximum birth rate is around 4 per family. For a population to remain static in these circumstances, the death rate would have to be the same. Improving food supplies can reduce the death rate by a further 2 children per family. The resultant population growth will double the population every 25 years.

The main reason for the reduction in the death rate in the developing world has been improved public health measures. For example, in Sri Lanka, the death rate was halted over 10 years by spraying the mosquitoes which carry malaria. Why is it so easy to cut the death rate in this way and yet so hard to reduce the birthrate? One answer is that public health measures can be very cheap. Anti-malarial spraying is inexpensive. But this is not the important point. For birth control programs to be successful, a change in attitude is required, whereas death control can be achieved autonomously. In other words, the death rate can be cut without anything else changing.

2. Compare your notes with those of your teacher and discuss with your squad what strategies you used to take the notes.

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Example of Cornell Notes

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<p>What are the two ways to solve population problems?</p> <p>Which way is easier to implement? Why?</p>	<p>Rapid increase in population is big problem Pop doubled in 25 years Mostly in poor countries Not more babies, but lower death rate</p> <p>Public health measures have gotten better example is in Sri Lanka - they sprayed for mosquitoes and that lowered death rate a lot</p> <p>Death rate can be lowered with simple, cheap steps</p> <p>Lowering birth rate requires birth control and that is more difficult to convince people to do</p>
<p>SUMMARIES</p> <p>It is easier to lower death rate with public health measures than lower birth rate with birth control, but population control is a big problem that needs to be solved</p>	