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Geography Short note and questions for Grade 9

Sample Surveys

Sample survey is the second most important and widely used source of population data. It collects information only from a part of the whole population. Sample surveys are usually undertaken during a period of transition between two consecutive censuses. It is important source of population statistics in areas where census is not conducted.

Class work

Instruction I Write ‘true’ if the statement is correct and ‘false’ if the statement is incorrect.

1. Sample survey is important to estimate the world population.
2. Sample survey is more expensive than population census.
3. Census is usually undertaken to generate socio-economic and demographic data in greater detail than sample survey.
4. Sample survey is important to give detail information for a specific section.
5. Population census is important for gathering data to fill population information gaps.

Instruction II Give short answers for the following questions.

6. What is sample survey?
7. Compare and contrast population census and sample surveys?
8. List at least three importance of sample survey?
9. What are the limitations of sample survey?
10. Why United Nations Organization use sample survey as the major source of information about world population?

Vital Registration

Vital registration is the continuous registration of such vital events as births, deaths, marriages and divorces. The building up of a reliable vital registration system is an expensive and extensive process. The completeness of registration and the reliability of the data gathered through vital registration can be affected by several factors including the following;

- a. level of literacy and awareness of the population.
- b, social custom
- c. The rural population may be widely dispersed or inaccessible.

Factors Affecting the Quality of Data

The followings are some of the socio-economic and culture related problems that affect the the quality of the data;

- Inadequate financing
- Inadequate awareness
- Double entry
- Neglecting or ignoring certain groups of people, etc.

Home work

Instruction I Match items in column B with items in column A.

A	B
1. Census	A. Simultaneity
2. Sample Survey	B. Factor that affects the reliability of vital registration
3. Vital Registration	C. It is the second most important and widely used source of population data
4. Features of census	D. Events are recorded as they occur
5. Level of literary	E. It is the most expensive method of data gathering

Instructions II. Explain how the following factors affect the quality of population data

6. Inadequate financing
7. Double entry
8. Neglecting or ignoring certain groups of people
9. Lack of awareness about the uses of population information
10. Provision of false information by the people being counted