

A Demographically Divided World: World Population History

Date: _____

Names: _____

First, define the following terms:

1. Define **Fertility Rate**

2. Define **Life Expectancy**

3. What are **Quality of Life Indicators**? List some of them.

Our Region is: **East Asia or Southeast Asia – Circle one to research**

Open www.WorldPopulationHistory.org. Click on “Explore the Map.” Deselect the Population Dots so that you can see the colors of the overlay more clearly (select Map Features, click Population Dots so it is no longer highlighted blue).

1. Enable the **Fertility Rate Overlay** on your map (select Overlays, click Fertility Rates). Press play to watch how the overlay in your region changes from 1950 onwards.
 - What do you observe about your region and any identifiable general trends as you go from 1950 to the present? Do you notice any general patterns?

1. Enable the **Life Expectancy Overlay** on your map (select Overlays, click Life Expectancy).
 - What do you observe about your region and any identifiable general trends as you go from 1950 to the present? Do you notice any general patterns?

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2. Complete the table below and answer the corresponding questions:

	Fertility Rates (Estimate or Range)	Life Expectancy Rates (Estimate or Range)
1950		
1975		
2000		
Present Day		

For 1950, 1975, 2000, and the Present Day:

- Are there any population pattern changes between decades listed (start with comparing 1975 to 1950)? If so, why do you think these occur?

Compare – 1950 to 1975:

Compare – 1975 to 2000:

Compare – 2000 to Present:

- Is there any variability between the fertility rates in the countries of your region? What are some examples and why do you think these occur?

Compare – 1950 to 1975:

Compare – 1975 to 2000:

Compare – 2000 to Present:

- Is there any variability between life expectancy within the countries of your region? What are some examples and why do you think this might be?

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Compare – 1950 to 1975:

Compare – 1975 to 2000:

Compare – 2000 to Present:

3. Now, complete the table below and answer the corresponding questions about the *future*:

	Fertility Rates (Estimate or Range)	Life Expectancy Rates (Estimate or Range)
2025		
2050		

For 2025 and 2050, answer the following questions:

- Do fertility rates and life expectancy increase or decrease in your region from 2025 to 2050?
- Are there any countries in your region that do not follow the general trends for the region as a whole?
- What do the projections suggest for the future? What issues might your region face?