

IF Unit 2 reading comprehension questions

1. Which of the following is TRUE of farming families living in Japan during the 1950s?
 - A. Parents could only afford to raise one or two children.
 - B. Children often worked alongside their parents.
 - C. Parents lived into their 90s or even over 100.
 - D. Children seldom did physical labor work.

2. What is the problem for governments in countries like Japan and South Korea in which there is a large number of elderly?
 - A. The problem is how the large number of senior citizens will be paid for by governments.
 - B. Governments must answer questions regarding the decreasing number of employment for elderly people.
 - C. The problem for governments is that young people do not respect elderly people in society.
 - D. Governments need to answer questions of healthcare for increasingly sick elderly people.

3. What is the required replacement birthrate in developed countries?
 - A. 1.0
 - B. 0.3
 - C. 2.1
 - D. 1.2

4. Which of the following is NOT a reason why couples are having fewer children?
 - A. The pressure for both parents to find stable employment.
 - B. The growth of metropolises because of mass migration.
 - C. The cost of education which parents must bear.
 - D. The unsuccessful feminism movement.

5. What does the U.S. government forecast about white Americans by the year 2042?
 - A. Hispanics will outnumber white Americans.
 - B. Non-Hispanic white Americans will increase two fold.
 - C. Hispanic families will have a 1.8 birthrate.
 - D. Non-Hispanic white Americans will make up one third of the population.

