POPULATION CENSUS (LEVEL 3)

Description	Learners will design their own census survey and gather and analyze data
Leading Question	Can we conduct a census survey to find out information about our family and community?
Total Time Required	~4.6 hours over 4 days
Supplies Required	Paper, Pen, Ruler.
Learning Outcomes	1. Designing and using a survey tool to gather information 2. Calculating percentages with two-digit numbers 3. Data handling: mean, median, mode, frequency 4. Data handling: graphical representation of data 5. Literacy: writing summary report and reading practice
Previous Learning	6. Multiplication and division with two-digit numbers

DAY 1

Today you will start creating your census survey.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description

5 minutes	● Introduction:
	   - Learners will create a census survey for their community. The purpose of a census is to find out the total number of people living in a place and understand how many of them fall into certain categories such as age groups, gender, occupation etc.
	   - Learners will create and survey the population of their immediate community including their own and their relatives' households and their close neighbors. They will then try to find out how many people fall under each category (such as gender, age, occupation, education etc.). They will also find the number of school-going children in their community.
	   - Learners will then write a short essay summarizing their findings

20 minutes	● Create a census questionnaire with all the questions they want to ask participants. The learner will think about what they should ask and write the questions down. Suggested questions: - What is your name? - How many people are in your home? - What is the age of each person in your home, including you? - What is the gender of each person? - What is the occupation of each person? - Are they currently in school, not in school or finished school? - Can you and everyone in your house read and write?

30 minutes	● Learners will create categories for each of the responses. Suggestions:
	- Number of people in the home:
	   o 1-4
	   o 5-10
	   o More than 10
	- Age categories:
	   o Under 18
	   o 18-30
	   o 30-60
	   o Over 60
	- Education:
	   o Not enrolled in school or college and school / college age
	   o Not completed school/college and not school/college age
	   o Enrolled in school or college
	   o Completed school
	- Gender categories:
	   o Male
	   o Female
	- Can you and everyone in your house read and write?
	   o Yes
	   o No
	- *What categories can you add for occupation? Come up with a few options for occupation.*
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	   o Enrolled in school or college

- o Completed school
  - Gender categories:
    - o Male
    - o Female
  - Can you and everyone in your house read and write?
    - o Yes
    - o No
  - *What categories can you add for occupation? Come up with a few options for occupation.*
● If you add more questions, make sure to create categories for them.
● Create answer sheets following the template below for each person you interview:

Answer sheet 1

House: 1

Name: Hassan

Q1. 5-10

Q2. Under 18

Q3. Male

Q4. Not enrolled in school

Q5. Yes

Q6. (no answer)

● Record the responses of the person you are interviewing and **everyone in their house** on separate answer sheets. For example, if Hassan's household has 4 family members, you will only interview Hassan, but you will record his answers to all the questions for each member of his family **on 4 different answer sheets.**
● Group the answer sheets that belong to members of the same household together and write house 1, house 2, etc on top of the page.

DAY 2

Today you will interview your family and relatives.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
1-2 hours	● Today, the learner will interview his or her family and relatives. Options for conducting the interviews: - In person with social distancing - Phone/video call or SMS - Guessing or asking family members if they know the answer ● Relatives can be interviewed through text or calls. If you are interviewing in person, make sure you have a mask on and maintain social distancing norms by standing 6 feet from the person you are interviewing. ● When you are interviewing people, ask them the question, then check the option in the categories that reflects their response. For example, if they graduated high school and are not in college, circle or put a check mark ✓ next to the "completed school" option of question 6 of the questionnaire above ● Another option if you are unable to conduct the interviews in person or phone calls is to simply guess what the responses might be or ask your family members if they know your neighbors well

DAY 3

Today you will look at all the answers and analyze your results.

Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
20 minutes	● Create a table like the following and enter the details of all participants. Add columns for all the categories in your questionnaire:

House	Name	Age	Gender	No. of people in house	Education
1	Sarah	30	Female	3	Completed college
1	Ahmed	11	Male		In school
1	Kareem	62	Male		Completed high school

	2	Sana	16	Female	5	In school

40-60 minutes	● Analyze your results:

- In total, how many people live in all of the households you surveyed? This is called the **number of observations**.
- How many people have completed school?
- What is the **average** age of participants? You can find the **average** by adding all the ages and dividing by the number of observations. e.g. (20+13+5)÷3 = 12.7. The average is also called the **mean**.
- What is the average number of people living in the same house?
- How many male participants did you find?
- How many people were employed?
- What is the **median** age of participants? You can find the **median** (or middle value) following these steps:
  o Look at the age column. Arrange the ages in ascending order from smallest to biggest
  o Count how many ages there are (maybe not all participants gave their age)
  o Find the middle value in the ordered age list. This is your **median**. The middle value should have the same number of digits before and after it. For example, if you have 15 numbers, the middle value is the seventh digit in the list. If you have an even number of total digits, for example, 20, the middle value is the sum of the tenth and eleventh numbers divided by 2. To illustrate:
    ▪ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
    ▪ 10 and 11 are the middle values because there are 9 digits before 10 and 9 digits after 11
    ▪ (10 + 11) ÷ 2 = 21/2 = 10.5
    ▪ 10.5 is the median
  o Find the median age of participants in your data.
- What is the **mode** of the participants' age? You can find the mode by following these steps:
  o Look at the age column. Arrange the ages in ascending order from smallest to biggest
  o Is there an age that is repeated many times? What is the most frequent age that many participants share? This is your mode. You can also have two or more modes if two different ages are repeated the same number of times. For example, if Ahmed, Sana and Sarah were all 11 years old and Kareem, Mona, and Adam were all 20 years old, and three is the most number of times that a number is repeated in your data, then your modes are 11 and 20.
- What is the **mode** of people living in the same household?

- What is the percentage of females? You can find the percentage by following these steps:
  - Calculate the total number of observations
  - Calculate the number of females
  - Divide the number of females by the number of observations
  - Multiply the answer by 100
  - e.g. 20/100 = 2/10 or 0.2. 0.2 x 100 = 20. Answer= 20%
- **Frequency** refers to the number of times one answer came up in your survey. For example if 5 people said they completed college, the **frequency** of college completion is 5. What is the educational category with the highest **frequency**?
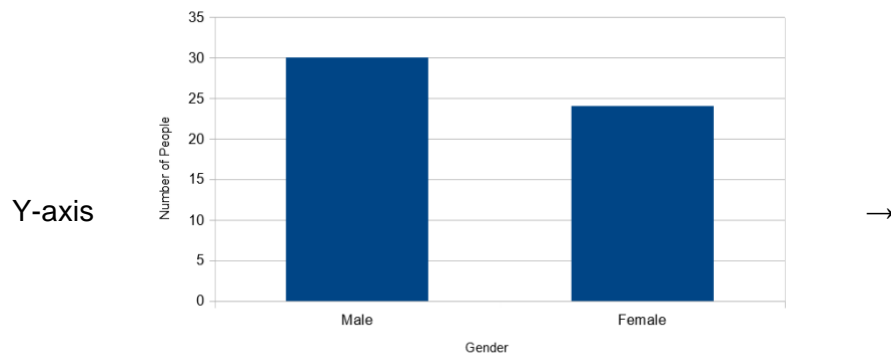
DAY 4

Today you will look at the results of your survey and share it with your family.

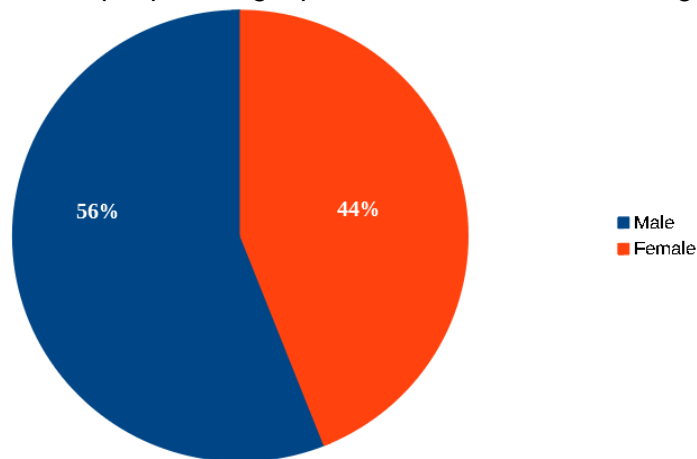| Suggested Duration	Activity and Description
15 minutes	● Represent some of the information from the survey in bar graphs. First, select 2-3 categories you want to represent. Suggestions: age, number of females vs males, education levels. Example:

Y-axis

X-axis ↑

- Draw a vertical line and horizontal line starting at the bottom of the vertical line going right as shown above. These are your axes. The y-axis is the vertical line in the graph and the x-axis is the horizontal line.
- The y-axis is like a vertical number line. You can write numbers in 1, 5, or any interval. If you don't have many observations, you can write numbers from 0-10 with one-digit intervals e.g. 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 etc. In the graph above, numbers are written from 0-35 in 5-

digit intervals (0, 5, 10, 15... etc.). This axis represents the number of people surveyed. It starts from 0 and ends with the total number of observations.
- The x-axis represents the categories of your questionnaire. Draw rectangles representing the categories of age, education, occupation etc. as shown above
- The rectangles will be as high as the total number of each category. For example, in this graph, there are 30 male participants
- Color or shade each rectangle using a different color or shading pattern
- Can you find out the number of female participants in the chart above?
- Another option is to represent some of the numerical data (like age and no. of people using a pie chart such as the following:

- Find out the percentage of people in each category using the percentage formula
- Draw a circle and divide it into different parts resembling pizza slices according to the percentages of each category. Bigger percentages should have a bigger part of the circle. In the chart above, 56% (males) is greater than 44% (females), so males get a bigger piece of the circle compared to females
- Color or shade each part of the circle using a different color or shading pattern

30 minutes	● Create a brief report about their experience and challenges facing the community by writing a few sentences about the following in their notebook or piece of paper to summarize the census study they conducted: - Total number of houses visited - Total number of people in your survey - Number or percentage of males vs females - Average age of participants - Mode of number of people living in the same household

	- Most frequently mentioned occupation - Most frequently mentioned highest level of education - Biggest challenge facing the community - Write a paragraph on what can be done to resolve the challenge OR design a poster for a campaign to end this issue
10 minutes	● Quiz family members on some questions to test how well they know their family! Learners will then share the results with their family by reading their report out loud and/or showcasing the poster they designed.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- Creation of questionnaire containing questions and response categories where applicable
- Interviewing and collecting data for at least 10 people either in person or virtually
- Correctly analyzing results and answering questions listed on day 3 tasks
- Correct graphical representation of at least one data point using bar graph or pie chart
- Creation of report with insight consisting of a few sentences on key information gained from census survey.

ADDITIONAL ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

- Learners can add more questions to the survey and come up with the appropriate response categories
- Learners can section the data and analyze it according to a certain category. For example, they can calculate and compare the average ages of men and women in their data
- Learners can think about different ways to use this information. They can write a few sentences or a report on how their results can be useful for schools, hospitals, government officials etc.

MODIFICIATIONS FOR SIMPLIFICATION

- Learners can simplify this project by reducing the number of questions or categories and/or the required analysis
- Learners can also simplify it by reducing the number of people they interview