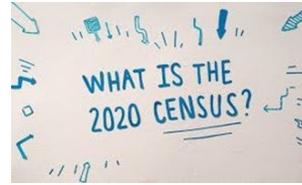




2020 Census PSA: Census Made Simple

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Jigsaw Activity

Watch the video.

Cut the paragraphs below into 5 strips for a jigsaw activity. Teacher model with paragraph #1 to the whole class. Tape paragraphs 2,3,4 & 5 to the classroom walls. Put students into groups of 4. Have each student go to 1 (only 1) paragraph to read it and take notes. Then have the groups-of-4 come back together. The students now take turns teaching their group about the paragraph they read. (Students answer the questions on the worksheet below.)

1. What is the 2020 Census?

The census is a government survey that counts the population of the United States. It is done every 10 years. The survey does not ask if a person is a U.S. citizen. The survey asks questions like, "How many people live here?" "What are their names?" "How old are they?"

2. How will 2020 census data be used?

The census data is used to make decisions about funding for neighborhood improvements, public health, education, transportation and more.

3. How does the 2020 census affect representation?

There are 435 Representatives who represent the individual States in Congress. The number of Representatives that each State has is determined by the census data. States with smaller populations get at least one Representative while states with larger populations might get more.

4. How do I take the 2020 census?

In March 2020, every address in the country will receive an invitation to complete the census questionnaire. There are three ways to respond: number one, do it online, number two, call by phone number three, send it by mail. For those who don't respond, a census taker from your community will follow up and assist you.

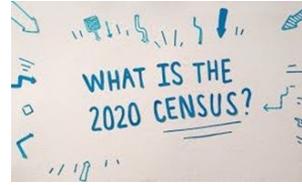
5. Is my 2020 census data safe?

All census data is kept safe. By law, it can't be shared with any other government agency, law enforcement or landlord. No one. Yes, your information is safe.



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Jigsaw Worksheet

Listen to your classmates tell you about the paragraph they read. Answer the questions below in your own words.

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2. How will 2020 census data be used?

3. How does the 2020 census affect representation?

4. How do I take the 2020 census?

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Quiz

Scan the QR code above with your phone. Watch the video again and take the quiz.