

The 2010 Census Is Coming!

Use the News: Reading Comprehension

Color the circle before the word (or words) that best completes each statement below.

- The last U.S. census was done _____ years ago.
 a. two b. five c. ten d. 200
- Census forms will be mailed to every residence _____ .
 a. in February b. in March c. on April 1 d. in December
- It is important to count every person because the census is used to send money to _____ .
 a. Washington b. companies c. communities d. senior citizens
- If the population of a state goes down, that state might lose _____ .
 a. representatives b. bridges c. job seekers d. banks
- In December, the Census Bureau must report the 2010 data to _____ .
 a. its citizens b. all households c. the FBI d. the President



Language Practice: Find the Mistakes

Each sentence below includes a mistake of spelling, grammar, or punctuation. Mark each sentence to show the correction you would make.

- This year's census form asks questions about each family member's age date of birth, and race.
- Census forms is mailed to every residence in the United States.
- The U.S. government needs accurate census data so it can spend it's money wisely.
- How many representatives do you think California will have after the census results are known.
- The population of Texas is growing, but the population of Ohio isnt.

More Language Practice: Building Vocabulary

Color the circle next to the word that means nearly the same as the underlined word in each sentence.

- It is very import that census takers get an accurate count of the U.S. population.
 a. exact b. early c. even d. average
- Census takers will visit each residence that does not mail in a form.
 a. vacation b. representative c. community d. household
- The data collected by census takers can affect a community in many ways.
 a. services b. information c. population d. money
- Census data will help the government determine how it spends its money.
 a. collect b. compare c. decide d. delay