

THE FACE OF SEVEN BILLION PEOPLE

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There are seven billion people in the world, and there are seven thousand people in this photo. Each person in the photo is equal to¹ one million people.

3.5 billion people in the world use the internet, and 5.5 billion people have a cell phone.

INTERNET AND CELL PHONES

Fifty-one percent of the world's population lives in cities and forty-nine percent lives in the countryside.

AGE

Twenty percent of the world's population lives in China. There are 1.3 billion people in India.

POPULATION

The average² age of all the people in the world is 28.

LANGUAGE

Forty percent of people work in a service industry (hotels, banks, etc.), thirty-eight percent in agriculture, and twenty-two percent in manufacturing and production.

RELIGION

Fourteen percent of the world's population speaks Mandarin as their first language. Six percent speaks Spanish as their first language. Six percent speaks English as their first language, but English is a second language for one billion people.

JOBS

There are many different religions in the world. For example, thirty-one percent of the world is Christian, twenty-three percent is Muslim, and fifteen percent is Hindu.

CITY AND COUNTRYSIDE

Reading

2 Read the text about the people in the world and write the numbers in Exercise 1 next to the information (1–8).

- 1 the number of people in the world _____
- 2 the population of India _____
- 3 the number of speakers of English as a second language _____
- 4 the percentage of Muslims _____
- 5 the percentage of workers in agriculture _____
- 6 the percentage of people living in cities _____
- 7 the number of people with the internet _____
- 8 the number of people with a cell phone _____