E11- TEXT NUMBER 7

Listen And Complete The Passage With Suitable Phrases Given :

instead of continuing to increase - the world's population - has been increasing faster and faster - to reach 625 million - have enough resources to support - limit population growth - international organizations - can be used for - raising animals -

the amounts of petroleum - are not available to them - know of no safe way -

want to limit the size of their families - Third World woman - Safe birth-control methods

The population of the world (1)..... In 10,000 B.C., there were probably only 10 million people. In A.D. 1, there were 300 million. It took 1,750 years for the world population (2)..... . In 1850, only one hundred years later, the population reached the figure of 1,300 million. In 1950, the figure had more than doubled to reach 2,510 million. In 1985, only 35 years later, there were 4,760 million people. In 2000. (3).....was about 6.6 billion, and by 2015 it is expected to be over 7 billion.

Does the Earth (4)..... this many people? Different scientists give different answers to this question. Some say that there are enough resources to support 8 billion people. Others say that we must (5)..... because our resources are limited. Only 10 percent of the earth's land (6)..... farming and another 20 percent for (7)..... There is a limit to the water we can use. There are also limits to (8)..... , iron, silver, gold, and other metals.

Research has shown that the average (9)..... has more children than she wants. Among the women who do not think they have too many children, half of them do not want any more. However, although millions of women (10)..... , they (11)..... to have fewer children. (12)..... for family planning (13)..... It is time governments and (14)..... did something to help them so that the world population growth can start to decrease (15).....

Read the text again and answer the following questions:

1. What was the population of the world in 10.000 B.C, 1750, 1850, 1950, 1985 and 2000?

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2. How many people is the world expected to have by the year 2015?

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3. Can the Earth have enough resources to support its population?

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4. Do most Third World women want to have a lot of children?

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5. Why can't women in the world limit the size of their families?

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