Listen to the recording about Brazil's changing population. Complete the text by filling in the missing words from the box. There are more words than you will need.

appealing	**birth**	**career**	**death**	**demographics**	**education**	**fashionable**
features	**fertility**	**interfere**	**involve**	**modern**		
old-fashioned	**reasons**	**rural**	**school**	**urban**	**wealthy**	**workforce**

Brazil's _____ have been changing for the last half century. The country's _____ rate has gone down from 6 children per woman two generations ago to less than two children today. Experts say this is due to the fact that Brazil has become richer and its population more _____.

Veronica Marques lives, together with her husband, in a _____ district of Rio. She is smart, well-educated, and focused on her _____. She doesn't want children until later on in her life – two, at most.

There are several _____ for Brazil's demographic changes. Women have become more _____ and care for their own lives. Men don't _____ anymore, especially in cities.

Another reason for the drop in _____ rates is the role of Brazil's popular soap opera, the telenovela. It _____ rich characters and _____ families with only few children. It demonstrates how _____ life can be for ordinary people.

Finally, more and more women are entering Brazil's _____. Because of higher levels of _____, they enjoy better jobs with higher pay.

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