

**I. Choose the correct words in the box to complete the sentences.**

<i>metropolis</i>	<i>relatively</i>	<i>ticking</i>	<i>density</i>
<i>ranking</i>	<i>slums</i>	<i>productivity</i>	<i>urbanization</i>

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of population is quite high in urban areas.
2. Rich countries, despite having solved all their basic needs, experience a similar accumulation of social pressure as if it was a \_\_\_\_\_ time bomb.
3. If Nigeria's population continues to grow and people move to cities at the same rate as now, Lagos could become the world's largest \_\_\_\_\_, home to 85 or 100 million people.
4. Nearly half of the world's 3.9 billion urban dwellers reside in \_\_\_\_\_ small settlements with fewer than 500,000 inhabitants.
5. With nearly 38 million people, Tokyo tops UN's \_\_\_\_\_ of most populous cities followed by Delhi, Shanghai, Mexico City, São Paulo and Mumbai.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ are urban areas that are heavily populated with substandard housing and very poor living conditions.