

E ▶ 5:15 **LISTEN TO INFER INFORMATION** Read the statements. Then listen to the lecture again. Circle the word or phrase that best completes each statement, according to the information presented in the lecture.

- 1 According to the U.N. report, if the world's fertility and infant mortality rates don't decrease, the world's population will increase by (less than / more than / approximately) 30% by 2040.
- 2 By 2050, the country with the second highest population in the world will be (China / India / the U.S.).
- 3 By 2050, populations in Japan, Russia, and Germany will be (higher / lower / the same).
- 4 Worldwide, the number of older people will be (the same as / lower than / higher than) the number of younger people.
- 5 In 2050, the total number of children in the continent of Africa will be (lower than / higher than / the same as) the total number in the rest of the world.

F **SUPPORT AN OPINION** Which of the statistics about future world demographics concern you the most? Explain your reasons.