Census 2020 Facts!



The census

- counts all of the people living in the United States, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas
- is the *law*
- is every 10 years
- has 7 or 9 questions for each person in the home



March 2020

• every house and apartment will get a Census 2020 form

April 2020

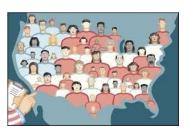
- every adult living in the USA must answer the questions
- parents must answer the questions for the children
- you can answer the questions on the computer, or on paper, or on the telephone

May 2020

• Census workers will come to your house and ask the questions if you don't finish in April

Who is counted?

- Adults
- children
- babies
- immigrants
- citizens
- non-citizens
- EVERYONE!



Why: The census helps the government decide how and where to spend our tax money. The money goes to:

- new roads
- schools and services for children
- hospitals
- healthcare programs
- seniors
- disabled people



Census workers are called *Enumerators*. <u>Enumerators do NOT</u> <u>ask for money or</u> <u>credit card</u> <u>information!</u> Adult Schools



Private: Your information on the census is private. It is illegal for Census workers to share your information. Census workers can go to jail if they share your private information.

Directions: After reading the "Census 2020 Facts!" sheet do activities A), B), C) and D).

- A) Vocabulary match:
- 1. Census Worker
- 2. Private
- 3. Illegal
- 4. it is the law

b. against the law c. need to do it

d. an Enumerator

a. can't share

- **B)** Mark (T) for true or (F) for false next to each sentence.
- _____1. The census happens every year.
- _____2. The census is the law. All people in the United States must be counted.
- 3. Each family will complete the census on paper, online **and** in person.
- 4. You need to finish the census in March, 2020.
- 5. We need to do the census because we can get more money for schools, roads and hospitals if all of the people are counted.
- _____6. There are 10 questions on the census form.
- ____7. It is against the law for census workers to share your private information.
- **C)** Re-read the sentences you marked as (F) false. Cross out the words that are false and write the true/correct information.
- **D)** Talk to your classmates:
 - a) Why is the census important?
 - b) How does the census help people in our community?