

Middle school assessment

Module 4, Lesson 2

Growing pains

You have been selected by the United Nations to establish a model partnership between nations. Your job is to select two countries—one country with a slow growth rate from Europe and one with a fast growth rate from Africa. Refer to the activity if you need help in identifying the growth rate of a country. Select the countries from the list below:

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| Belgium | Italy | Norway |
| Germany | Nigeria | Poland |
| Mozambique* | Madagascar* | Tanzania |
| Somalia* | Zambia | |
| United Kingdom | Denmark | |

Write a report that addresses the following points:

1. Identify issues critical to each country in regard to growth and standard of living.
2. How can these countries work together to address their respective problems?
3. Do current relationships (such as trade agreements) exist between these countries, and are these positive or negative? How can these current partnerships be improved?

Support this report with maps and data from the activity. You may also want to refer to additional sources such as textbooks, encyclopedias, and the Internet to find additional details about your countries.

Bonus

Net Migration Rate (NMR) data is unavailable for the three African countries marked with an asterisk (*). What do you guess is the rate of net migration in these countries? Analyze the population growth and standard-of-living indicators in the Region4 map document to help you answer this question.

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High school assessment

Module 4, Lesson 2

Growing pains

You have been selected by the United Nations to establish a model partnership among nations. Your job is to select two groups of countries—one group with a slow growth rate and one group with a fast growth rate. Each group of countries should consist of four to five nations from Europe or sub-Saharan Africa. The countries within each group need to have similar growth characteristics. Refer to the activity if you need help identifying the growth rate of a country.

Write a report that addresses the following points:

1. Identify issues related to growth and standard of living that are critical to each group's welfare.
2. How can these countries work together to help improve their standards of living and address their respective problems?
3. Do current relationships (such as trade agreements) exist between these countries, and are these positive or negative? How can these current partnerships be improved?

Support this report with maps and data from the activity. You may also want to refer to additional sources such as textbooks, encyclopedias, and the Internet to find additional details about your countries.

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