

Count Me In! - Beginning Levels

The goal of the Census is to count all of the people in the U.S. on April 1, 2020. Who do we count?

Directions: Label the family members you see in the picture.

mother	daughter	baby	older son
younger son	father	grandfather	grandmother



Smith Family

This is the Smith family. Paul and Susan Smith have four children. Susan just gave birth to their new baby girl, Samantha. Paul and Susan own a home in San Jose, California. They pay their mortgage every month. Paul's parents, Henry and Lori, live with Paul and Susan.

Talk to your partner:

1. How many people live in the Smith household?
2. Who do you think is the "head of household" or "Person 1"?
3. How is Samantha Smith related to "Person 1"?
4. Is the Smith home
 - a. owned with a mortgage?
 - b. owned free and clear?
 - c. rented?
 - d. occupied without payment?

There are people we don't count in the household. If people sleep most nights in another place, we don't count them.

We don't count...

a. a person in the Military / Armed Forces living in barracks.



b. a college student living in a dorm.



c. a senior living in a nursing home.



d. a child that lives with the other parent most of the time.



Think: In your home...

1. How many people live with you?
2. Do any of the people who live with you also live somewhere else? Where do they live most of the time?
3. Who is the "head of household" in your home?

Talk to your classmates and teacher.

- a. *If a family member from your country visits you in April, 2020, do you count them?*
- b. *If you live with someone who is not in your family, do you count that person?*
- c. *If you don't know how to answer a question on the Census, who can help you?*