Census 2020 Activity Book

Everybody Counts!
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I count! You count!
Your family counts, too!

I count! You count!
Your neighbors count, too!

The Census counts people.
Make sure it counts you!
What makes me... ME!

Think about what makes you special. Write it in the shapes!

[My Name]
Tell your friends what makes them special and how you feel about them! Cut along the dotted lines and hand out a card to each friend.
Every person is special in their own ways and important to their community. **What is a community?**
It is a group of people living or working together in the same area. People in communities might go to the same school, shop in the same stores and do the same things. They also help each other and solve problems together. If it's a bigger community, the people might not go to the same places, but they might like or believe in the same things.

In a way, bees and ants are a community. They live and work together, and solve problems by working together. Many animals live in their own kind of communities.

**What kind of communities do you live in?**

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

Let's start with your family. They are a type of a community because they usually live together and do a lot of the same things. What do you do to help your family at home?

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

Then there are your friends. They are a community too. They share your ideas and probably go to the same school. Name two friends that go to your school:

________________________________________________________________________

Your neighborhood is a community...your town or city is a community in your state. What is the name of the city and state you live in?

________________________________________________________________________

Your state is a community that is part of the United States. So what is the biggest community of all? ____________________________

Yes, and we are all part of it! Together, we can help each other and work together to solve problems. How can you help your community?
Instructions: Color in one apple each time you help out in one of your communities—whether it's for your family, your friends, your school or neighborhood. Write what you did in the numbered lines. Some examples are below. When you've completed all the apples, color the rest of the tree.

- I cleaned my room.
- I was friendly to a new student in my school.
- I picked up litter on my street.
- I helped clean up the park.
In the United States, a census is taken every ten years, where every person living in the country—citizens and noncitizens, young and old, workers and non workers—is counted. The government uses census counts to decide how to spend money for schools, playgrounds, roads, hospitals, housing and other things. For each person NOT counted in Marin County, our community loses out. Be sure you are counted because YOU COUNT!

Now color in the words "I COUNT!"
Find The Census Form!

The Census starts on April 1, 2020. Nearly every household will receive an invitation in the mail to participate. Every household can choose to complete the census form online, by mail or by phone. And it’s easy!

What's important is that everyone in your home is counted, even young children and babies. Circle all the family members who should be counted in the 2020 Census. Then help the family find the census form.
1. What is your name?
   First Name
   Last Name(s)

2. What is your age and your birthday?
   Age
   Years
   Month
   Day
   Year

3. What is your gender? [check a box]
   Boy
   Girl

4. Count the number of boys & girls in your classroom.
   Boys
   Girls

5. Count the total number of people in your classroom.

4. What subject do you like best in school? [check one]
   reading
   math
   spelling
   art
   social studies

5. Count how many friends you have.

6. Who are your best friends? [write their names]
   Name 1
   Name 2
   Name 3

7. How many people are in your family? [Count only those who live with you.]

8. What are their names? [write their first names]
   Name 1
   Name 2
   Name 3
   Name 4
   Name 5
   Name 6

9. What sports do you like most?

10. What is your favorite food?

11. What TV show do you like to watch most?

12. If you had $100, what would you do with it?
Compare the Images: This family is getting ready to fill out its 2020 Census questionnaire! Compare the two illustrations side by side. Can you spot the six differences in the second image? Circle what's different in the second illustration.
ACTIVITY 4
Write one paragraph explaining why it's important to participate in the 2020 Census.

Gratitude Mirror
Draw a picture of you!
Write a Letter to Your Classmates

You want to get as many of your classmates, their families and neighbors to participate in the Census 2020. Write a letter to them explaining about the purpose of the census, how the information is used by the government and why it's important that everyone is counted.
Word Scramble: I Count!

Directions
Below are statements about what makes you unique and how you are a part of your community. Fill-in-the-blanks by unscrambling the words at the bottom of this page and placing them correctly in the sentences.

Messages
1. There is no other person in the world like you! You have your own interests, _____________ and dreams. You have your own special _______________ and qualities.
2. You are important to your friends, family and _______________ too.
3. Communities are groups of people living or working together in the same area. They also help each other to solve _______________.
4. Other types of communities are your _______________, your ____________, your neighborhood, your city and state.
5. Your _______________ is a community. Your city is a community in your state, and your state is part of the _______________ .
6. I live in Marin County, one of 9 counties that make up the _______________.
7. Marin County has the second smallest _____________ in the Bay Area.
8. The largest community we belong to is _______________.

Scrambled Words:
slttnae _______________ | iylfma _______________
spaoeyirt _______________ | esfrdin _______________
myoniutcm _______________ | hdrobiengoho _______________
epmbsrlo _______________ | apipontlou _______________
nieutd satest _______________ | _______________
rgonea touny _______________ | _______________
ntpeal ahret _______________ | _______________
Word Scramble: The 2020 Census

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2. The census counts both citizens and ____________________________ ____________________________

3. The government uses the census to decide how to spend money for ____________________________ playgrounds, ____________________________, ____________________________ and housing.

4. There is a census in the United States every ______ years.

5. Some groups use census numbers to plan community ____________________________

6. Businesses use census numbers to decide where to open ____________________________

7. In 1990, there was an ____________________________ of almost five million people.

8. Everyone in each household needs to be counted, even young ____________________________ and ____________________________

9. Your ____________________________ is protected.

10. In 2020, you can take the census ____________________________

Scrambled Words

dcoteunrun ____________________________ | odsar ____________________________

net ____________________________

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esotrs ____________________________

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vcsreies ____________________________

sloasthip ____________________________

oshlco ____________________________

aisebb ____________________________

enlhrcdi ____________________________

iprvyac ____________________________

linneo ____________________________
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CENSUS
COUNT
COMMUNITY
NEIGHBORHOOD
PARKS
SCHOOLS
HOUSING
PROGRAMS
FUNDING
CONGRESS
REPRESENTATION
MAPS
GOVERNMENT
ROADS
Answer Key

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9. Your privacy is protected.

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coteunrun  undercount
net  ten
detius aetts  United  States
esots  stores
ozneicisnt  noncitizens
vcsreies  services
sloasthip  hospitals

odsar  roads
oshhlco  schools
aisebb  babies
enlhrcdi  children
iprvyac  privacy
ilnne  online
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DREAMS
UNIQUE
FAMILY
COMMUNITIES

IMPORTANCE
COUNT
INTERESTS
SPECIAL

PARTICIPATE
INvolvement
TOGETHER

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