

1. Why does an ageing population create problems for a country's economy? Tick the reasons that are mentioned in the text.

- a) More houses need to be built.
- b) Older people spend less money.
- c) A smaller proportion of the population is at work.
- d) Taxes go up.
- e) Healthcare costs are higher.
- f) They all require free console games.

2. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)? If the statement is false, write the correct statement.

- a) A British newspaper published a story about elderly people playing video games.

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- b) News stories about the care of the elderly in the UK are usually quite positive.

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- c) Most elderly people in the UK do not live with their children.

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- d) Increases in life expectancy do not necessarily lead to an ageing population.

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- e) By 2024, about a quarter of the adult population will be retired.

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