MAPPING THE WORLD: 1914, 1945, 1985, TODAY

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Use www.gapminder.org/data to fill out the data in each of the tables below. To find the data you need, make sure that you have the name of the category. On the gapminder.org/data page, you'll see a table called "List of indicators in "Gapminder World." Beneath that title, on the right side of the table, find the Search box. Type the name of the category into that search area. Once you find the category, click on the magnifying glass on the right. That link will have the data you need to fill out each of the tables below.

After you fill out the tables, answer the questions about the countries based on the information you found (see the next page). Next, write a paragraph explaining how the data you found might help you understand the past.

TABLE 1: POPULATION, TOTAL

	1914	1945	1985	Today (2013)
Brazil				
China				
Germany				
United States				

TABLE 2: INCOME PER PERSON (GDP/CAPITA, PPP$ INFLATION-ADJUSTED)

	1914	1945	1985	Today (2013)
Brazil				
China				
Germany				
United States				

TABLE 3: LIFE EXPECTANCY (YEARS)

	1914	1945	1985	Today (2013)
Brazil				
China				
Germany				
United States				

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TABLE 1: POPULATION, TOTAL

1. What can population tell us about a country?

2. When looking at the population data, which country's population has grown the least?

3. Based on what you've learned about the past, why might that be?

TABLE 2: INCOME PER PERSON

1. Which country's GDP dropped from 1914 to 1945?

2. What might have explain this drop?

3. GDP and population are related in that the faster a country's population grows, the harder it is for that country to be economically successful. So, the higher the population growth, the slower the economy growth. Or, the lower the population growth, the faster the economy growth. Which of those is reflected in this data? Provide evidence.

TABLE 3: LIFE EXPECTANCY

1. What can life expectancy tell you about a country?

2. The life expectancy increased in all countries for all of the years except for one. Which country had a decrease in life expectancy and when did that happen? What is a reasonable explanation for the drop?

3. Life expectancy has risen dramatically since 1914. What are some explanations for this?

Now, write a few sentences on the back of this page about how looking at these three kinds of data together and not just alone can tell us more about a country and the past.