

Section 1--"Population Explosion" (pages 593-595)

1. When did India's population reach one billion and how quickly is it growing?
2. What effect does rapid population growth have on India's ability to provide for the needs of their people?
3. What factors make it difficult to find solutions to India's population explosion?
4. Why is education seen as a key to controlling population growth?

Section 2--"Living with Extreme Weather" (pages 597-599)

5. How do the summer and winter monsoons differ?
6. What seasonal disasters do monsoons sometimes cause?
7. What is the economic impact of South Asia's monsoon climate?
8. How have weather patterns in South Asia contributed to political tensions?

"Case Study: Territorial Dispute" (pages 600-603)

9. What is the basis of the conflict over Kashmir?
10. Why does Pakistan have an economic interest in Kashmir?

11. What 1998 development has made the dispute more dangerous?
  
12. In what way is this a “question of priorities?”
  
13. What is Pakistan’s official position regarding Kashmir? (Primary Source A)
  
14. What is India’s position concerning the role of nuclear weapons in the conflict over Kashmir? (Primary Source B)
  
15. How has the conflict affected the residents of Kashmir? (Primary Sources C and D)
  
16. What is the point of the political cartoon on page 603? (Primary Source E)