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**Economics - Chapter 18– Section 2 - Issues in Development**

Directions: Use the textbook – Economics Principles in Action, to answer the following questions.  
– you may need a separate piece of paper to write the answers.

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**Key Vocabulary:** population growth rate, natural rate of population increase, arable, malnutrition

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**Page 478 Rapid Population Growth**

1) What is a problem many less developed countries experience?

Causes of Rapid Population Growth

2) What does the population growth rate take into account?

3) What is the natural rate of population increase?

4) In Less Developed Countries (LDCs) what is highest proportion of the population?

Consequences of Rapid Population Growth

5) What is the average population growth of less developed countries? What will happen to their population by 2031? What is the growth rate of developed nations?

6) To stay at its current rate of development a country that doubles its population must?

7) Some economists see positive in population growth because it creates ?

**Factors of Production**

8) Are natural resources spread evenly across the world? How much of the land is arable?

9) If resources are not the problem, then what is a problem?

**Physical Capital**

10) What is physical capital? What cannot grow without capital?

11) What do some countries turn to?

**Human Capital**

11) What is human capital ?

12) Why do foreign investors become discouraged?

Health and Nutrition

13) What is inadequate nutrition called? What are some effects of malnutrition?

### Education and Training

14) What must a nation have in order to use technology and move behind mere subsistence?

15) Why are many children in the world have no time to go to school?

16) How do literacy rates compare between highly developed countries and less developed countries (LDCs)?

17) What is one factor that discourage families from investing in the education of girls?

### Brain Drain

19) Why do some of the best educated citizen's of a country leave for developed nations? What is loss called?

### **Political Factors / From Colonial Dependency to Central Planning**

20) What were many LDCs?

21) When many new nations gained independence what type of economic system did they turn to?

22) Were they successful? What happened in the long run?

### Government Corruption

23) Who do leaders often make political decision to favor who? Who has greater political influence - the rural majority or urban minority?

### Political Instability

24) What are two other factors that plague less developed countries?

25) What do political leaders spend their money on?

### **Debt**

26) What was a political event that have hindered repayment of loans?

27) By what percent did the combined debt increase in LDCs? In some countries the foreign debt is the greater than?