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# Numbers Tell Stories

*An activity of "Saving the bees"*

**"Saving the bees"** (page 19, *What's Up* September 2019) explains what the people of Bavaria are doing to save the bees. Read the story carefully. Then, individually, fill in the blanks below. Do the calculations on the reverse of this sheet.

1. Almost 2 million Bavarian citizens signed a petition to save bees. This is equivalent to \_\_\_\_\_ % of the total population of Singapore (which is approximately 5.8 million).
2. 1.4 billion = \_\_\_\_\_ million
3. Some reports predict that up to 36 million US jobs face a risk of disappearing due to automation and artificial intelligence. In numerals, 36 million = \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A study of 46 countries and 800 different occupations found that by 2030, up to 800 million global workers' jobs will be affected by future machines. If 800 million is up to one-fifth of the global work force, then the population of the global workforce in 2030 will be \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In comparison, about 1.4 billion = \_\_\_\_\_ (in numerals) human jobs around the world depend on the work of pollinators like bees. If the bees were to disappear by 2030 it will cause up to \_\_\_\_\_ % of the worldwide human workforce to be affected.
6. Reflect on the contributions of the Bavarians. Is their contribution significant? Give reasons.

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