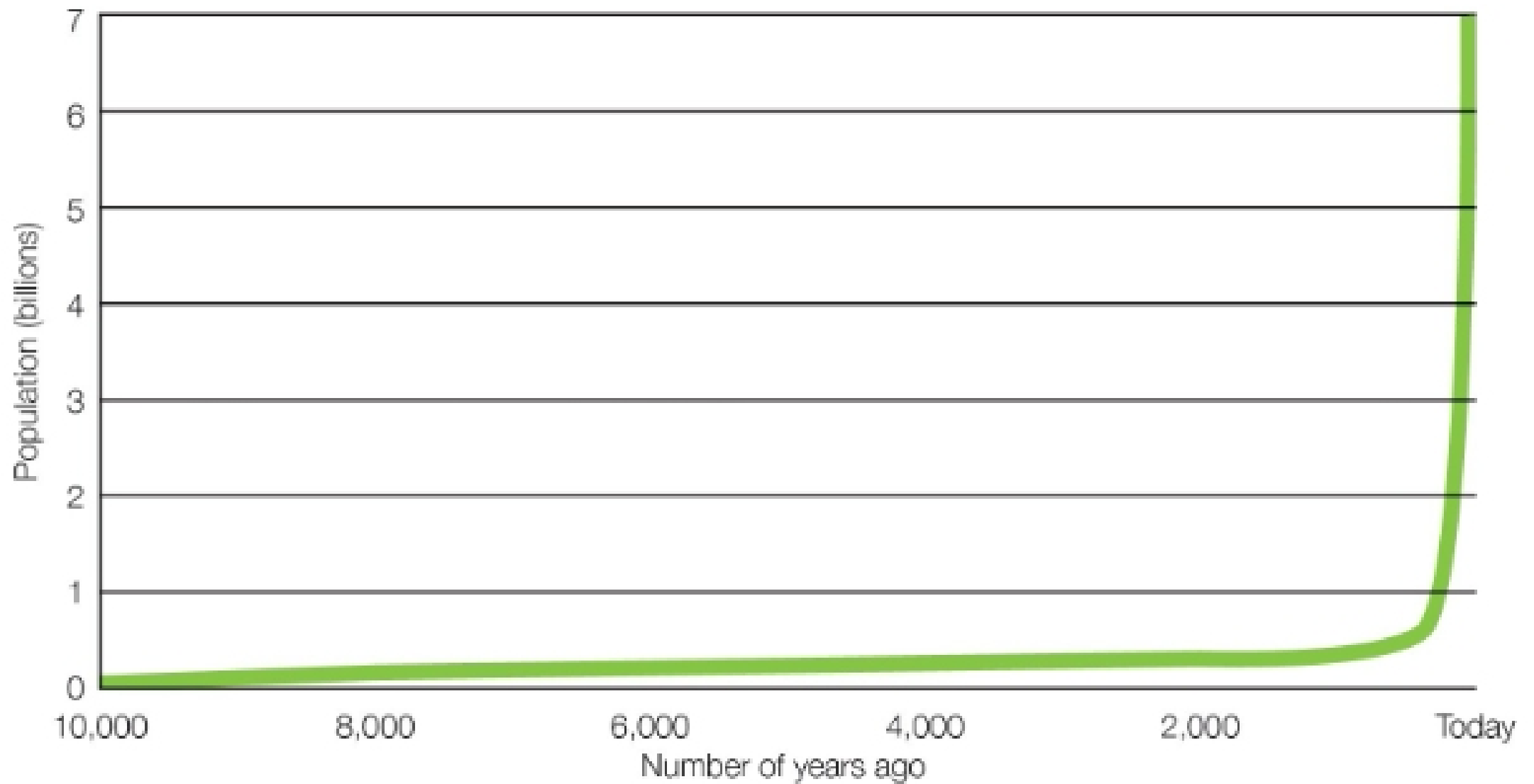


# Introduction to Human Development

- Human Development-the way people grow and change across the lifespan
- Culture- the total pattern of a group's customs, beliefs, art, and technology
- Will see that assumptions in different cultures very different from our assumptions

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- Most of history world population under 10 Million.
- Women had between 4-8 children but most died before reproducing.
- 400 years ago population reached 500M
- Today population is 7 Billion
- Current total fertility rate worldwide is 2.8 births per woman; this is declining and will be 2.1 (replacement rate) by 2050



**Figure 1.1 World Population Growth, Past 10,000 years** What happened in recent human history to cause population to rise so dramatically? Source: Ember (2007)