

Dear Parents and students,

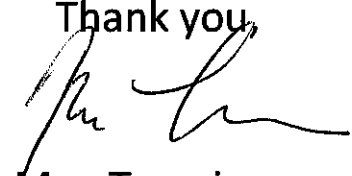
March 17, 2020

I hope this letter finds you well. Attached is a social studies packet on the three different types of communities.

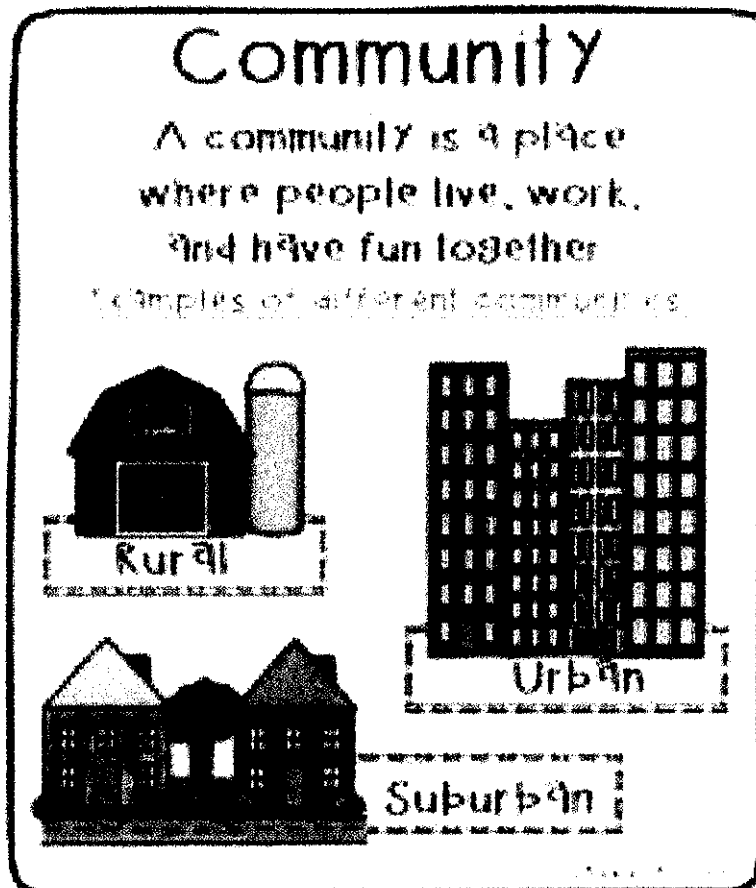
Communities is part of the second-grade social studies curriculum. Please have your child read the packet and complete the activity sheets by April 20th.

Please stay safe and HEALTHY!

Thank you,



Mrs. Tesoriero

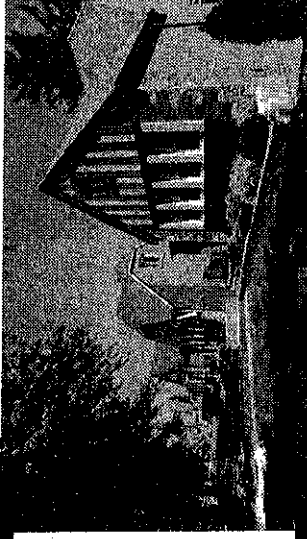
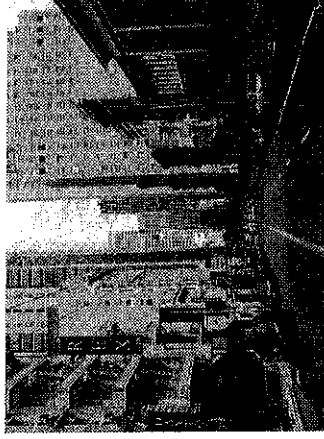


2nd Grade - Social

Communities

Urban, Suburban, and

Rural



Name _____

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Unit 2 _____

Communities _____

What is a community?



A community is a place where people live, work, and play together.

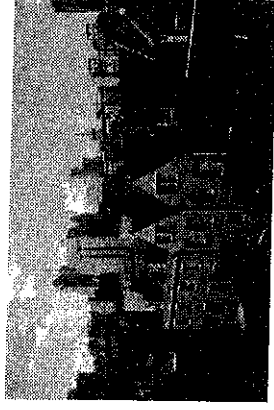
We work together at school. A school is a community.

We live with our families. Our house is a community.

We live, work, and have fun with people in our neighborhood. Our neighborhood is a community.

Three Kinds of Communities

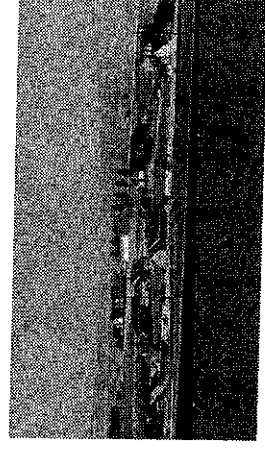
There are 3 kinds of communities.



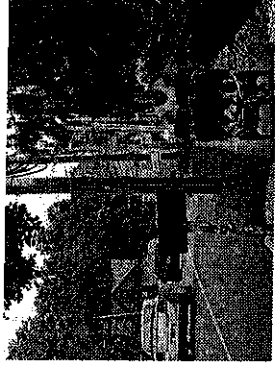
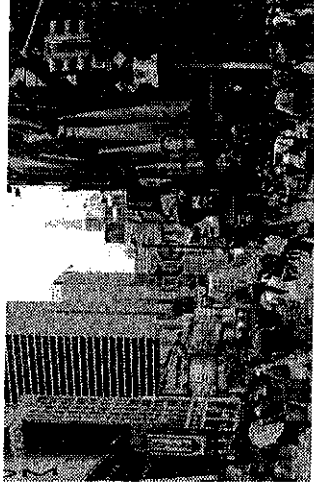
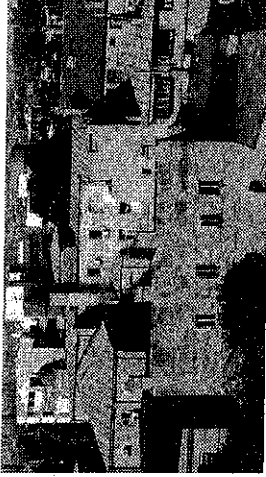
1. Urban Community



2. Suburban Community



3. Rural Community

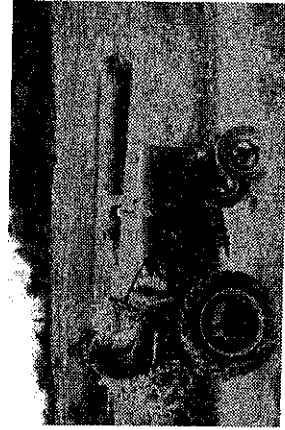
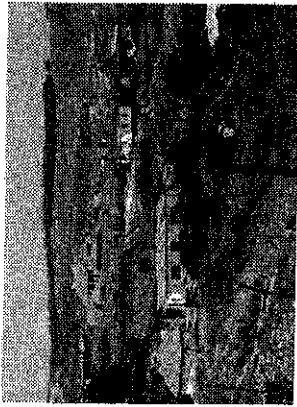


What is an urban community?

An urban community is a city. The buildings are tall and close together. Many people live and work in an urban community. An urban community has many cars, buses, trains, taxis, and subways. An urban community also has schools, houses, and apartments.

What is a suburban community?

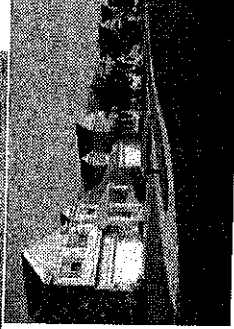
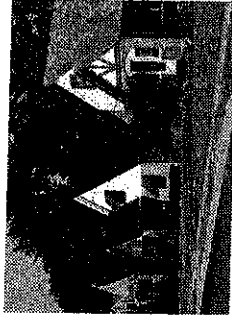
A suburban community also has houses, cars, and buildings. A suburban community is more spread out. There are usually homes with yards and garages in a suburban community. The suburbs have restaurants, stores, and fun activities nearby.



Different Communities

There are urban, suburban, and rural communities all over the world. No matter where they live, people work and have fun together. What type of community do you live in?

Can you identify the pictures of the urban communities? How about the suburban and rural communities?

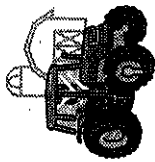


What is a rural community?

A rural community is not close to a city. There are many farms, fields, or forests in a rural community. In a rural community, houses are far apart. A rural community does not have big stores or restaurants.

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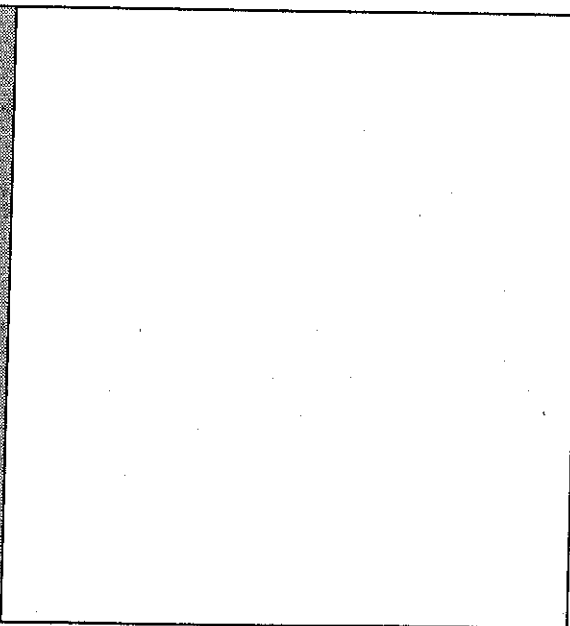


Urban, Rural and Suburban Communities



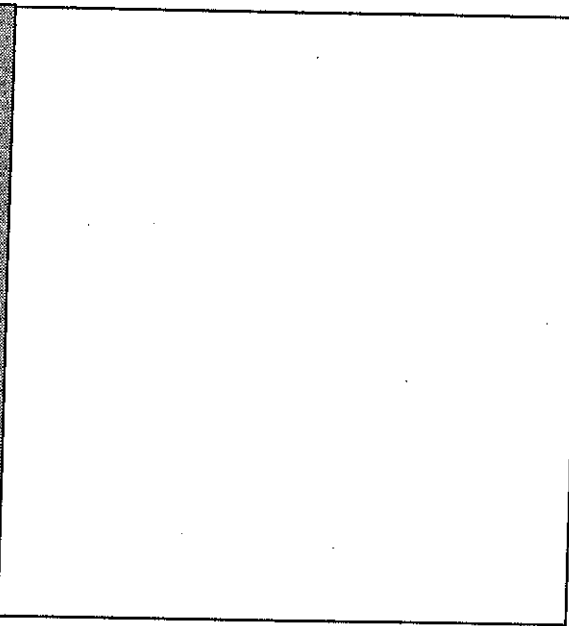
Directions: Draw a picture of each community then describe what they look like at the bottom of the drawing.

Urban Community



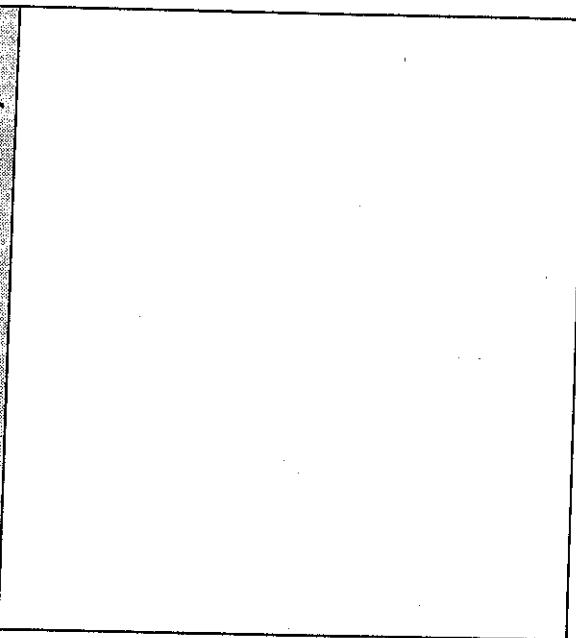
Urban Communities have:

Rural Community



Rural Communities have:

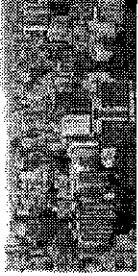
Suburban Community



Suburban Communities have:

Using Land in Different Ways

Cross-Curricular Focus: History/Social Sciences



People use land in different ways. Some areas have a lot of open space. Some areas have buildings close together and people living near each other. People choose the type of community they want to live in. They think about their interests and their work.

A **rural** area has few homes and businesses. There is lots of space in between buildings. Rural areas are perfect for people and businesses who want to grow plants for food or raise animals. Most states have some rural areas.

An **urban** area is a large city and the places near it. Many people live and work in the same large city. Every state has urban areas. You will find public transportation, like buses, in urban areas. Many of the buildings also have modern designs. There are many things to do and see in the city.

A **suburban** area, also called the suburbs, is located outside a big city, but not very far away. In suburban communities, many people live near where they work. The suburbs do not have the crowds that are in the city. You will find more space between buildings. There are houses and shopping centers in suburban communities.

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Answer the following questions based on the reading passage. Don't forget to go back to the passage whenever necessary to find or confirm your answers.

1) What is a rural area like?

2) What is an urban area like?

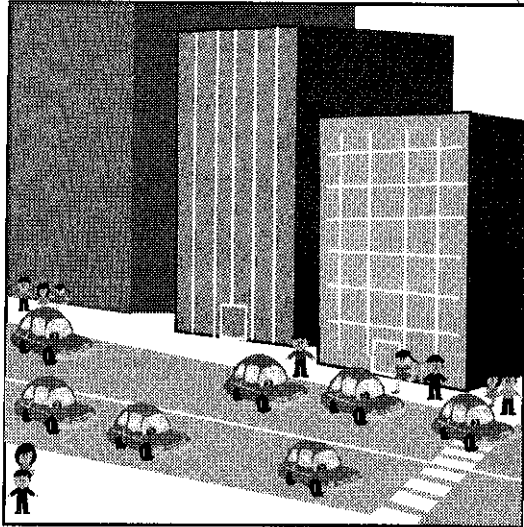
3) What is a suburban area like?

4) Why do you think most farms are in rural areas?

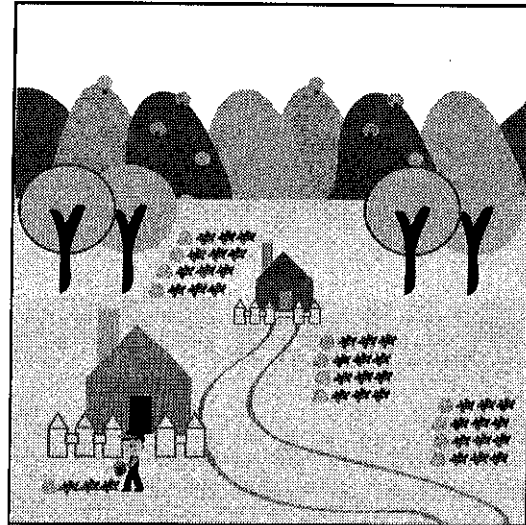
5) Do you like rural, urban, or suburban areas best? Why?

Urban & Rural

The picture on the left side shows an urban setting. The picture on the right shows a rural setting. Write two sentences comparing and contrasting these areas on the lines below.



Urban



Rural

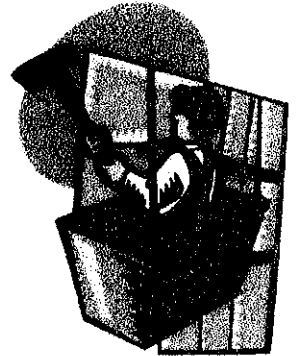
Differences

Similarities

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Urban, Suburban, and Rural

Tell whether each person most likely works in an urban community, suburban community, or rural community.



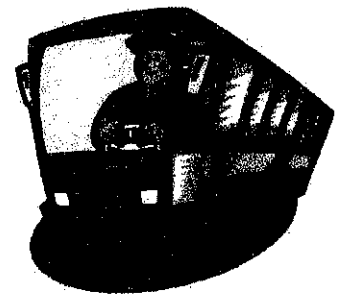
1. When Greg goes to work, he cleans the windows on tall skyscrapers. His job is not meant for people who are afraid of high places! Greg works in a(n) _____ community.

2. Sarah owns a dairy farm. She has three dozen cows that she has to feed and care for. Every day, she milks the cows and sells the milk to supermarkets all over her state. Sarah works in a(n) _____ community.

3. Jessie is a police officer. She patrols a small town with small shops and one-story houses. She helps keep everyone in town safe and sound. Jessie works in a(n) _____ community.

4. Every morning, Derrick wakes up and goes to work at a farm equipment dealership. He sells tractors, machines for watering crops, and machines for harvesting crops. Derrick works in a(n) _____ community.

5. Many people that live near Brent don't drive cars because the streets are too busy. Brent drives a bus that hundreds of people use to travel quickly across the city. Brent lives and works in a(n) _____ community.



Name: _____

Urban, Suburban, and Rural

Label each community and color.

