

Lesson 64

The population keeps increasing.

Target: Having a conversation about cities.

Vocabulary

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Cities



Related vocabulary

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| - a commuter town / an exurb | - to be modern | - to be prestigious |
| - a suburb | - a settlement | - a melting pot |
| - sanitation | - scenery | - the capital of... |
| - population | - to be urban / to be rural | - standard of living |
| - a metropolis | - a concrete jungle | - to be cosmopolitan |
| - infrastructure | - a community | - sprawl |
| - a megacity | - a major | - an aspect of... |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What are some advantages of living in a city?
2. What's your favorite city? Why?
3. What are some aspects of city life that you don't like?
4. What's the most interesting city you've visited?
5. What are some different buildings you would normally find in a city?
6. When does a town become a city?
7. What makes a good city?
8. Would you like to be the mayor of your city? Why? Why not?
9. Which cities have the best transportation systems? What makes them so good?
10. What do you think cities will look like in the future?

Partner #2: Questions

1. Is a capital city of a country always the biggest city in the country?
2. How are cities around the world different?
3. Which cities have the highest / lowest crime rate?
4. How would you describe the architecture of your city?
5. What country / city has the highest / lowest standard of living?
6. How are city people and country people different?
7. Would you prefer to live in a really historical or really modern city?
8. What fictional cities would you like to live in?
9. What cities are have prestigious universities?
10. What are some different problems that cities face? How do people deal with the different problems?

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

1. **Discussion:** Discuss how you could make your city better.
2. **Interview:** Interview a city planner about the next city they are planning.
3. **Game:** Partner #1: Says the name of a country
Partner #2: Says the name of a city in that country.
4. **Debate:** You think living in the city is better, but your partner doesn't agree.