

# MARLBERRY

## - the child-free village

The village of Marlberry is beautifully clean and tidy, a group of well designed houses overlooking a lake. There are no fences dividing the gardens. There are no skateboards here, either. No footballs. No loud music or shouting. Something feels strange. What can it be? To buy a property in the village, you have to be over 50 with no dependent family, and you must sign a contract agreeing not to sell property to anyone with children. Visits from grandchildren and other young visitors are allowed, but for no more than three weeks a year.

You have recently seen an article in a local newspaper about Marlberry, a child-free village in England. The authorities of your country liked the idea and decided to make an area with the same conditions. Write a letter to the Editor, expressing your point of view.

- Write about the advantages of such a village;
- Express the negative points of such a place;
- Suggest some interesting ideas for the area that can be used by authorities.

*DO not write real names and addresses.*

