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My life would be great!

SPEAKING
Describing places
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LISTENING
Town hall meeting
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Intergenerational schools

WARMUP

What do you like about your neighborhood?

VOCABULARY



1 Look at the photos. What do you see? Write the correct letter. Then listen and check your answers.

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| a. vehicle traffic | c. bike lanes | e. pedestrians |
| b. art scene | d. nightlife | f. public transportation |



2 The following affect where people choose to live. Which are important for each group? Complete the chart with phrases in the box. Add more words from the photos.

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| crime rate | public parks | housing prices | shops and restaurants |
| job opportunities | school system | cost of living | air quality |

Single people in their 20s	Families with young children	Retired people

VOCABULARY

1 Complete the conversations. Use the words in the box.

housing prices job opportunities ~~crime rate~~ public transportation cost of living air quality

1. A This apartment looks nice.
B Yes, but the neighborhood is dangerous, and the crime rate is bad.
2. A The was so much lower when I was a child.
B I know. People could actually save money instead of borrowing it.
3. A Did you enjoy your trip?
B Not really. There was a lot to see, but the in the city is terrible because of the pollution from all the traffic.
4. A Let's look at the real estate ads while we're here.
B Yeah. I want to know the for the area next to the beach.
5. A Why did you move to this town?
B I want to get around without a car, and the here is great.
6. A Are you going to get a job after you finish school?
B No, I'm going to do volunteer work for a year, and then I'll look for a job. I heard will be better next year.

2 Match the housing ads (1-4) with the words (a-d) to complete the sentences.

2BR apartment near Main Street. On a quiet street, away from the rush hour .

1BR apartment in a fun neighborhood that's great for young adults. Lots of things to do after dark. Near restaurants and .

Small 3BR house in the suburbs. Famous for its great school system and newly-built , it's the perfect place for families.

2BR apartment in a neighborhood full of creative energy near galleries and artist studios. Great for people who love an exciting .

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