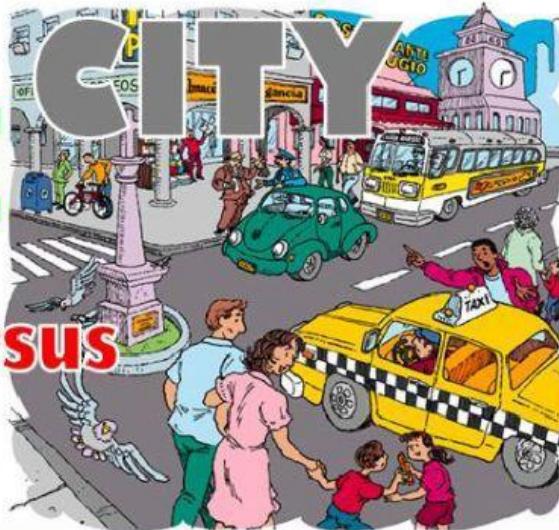


COUNTRY SIDE



versus



THE POSITIVE SIDE: Complete the lists with the words provided in the box.

- fresh air
 - easy access to culture (museums, exhibitions...)
 - more job opportunities
 - helpful neighbours
 - peaceful and quiet
 - plenty of entertainment (cinema, parks, concerts...)
 - fabulous landscapes
 - modern public transport
 - more open spaces
 - lots of conveniences (shops, restaurants...)
 - relaxed and healthy lifestyle
 - cheaper cost of living
 - more housing options
 - good health care (hospitals)
 - close contact with nature
 - attractive, exciting lifestyle

THE NEGATIVE SIDE: Complete the gaps with the words provided in the boxes.

COUNTRY LIFE: Living in the countryside may be more relaxing, but it can get (1) _____ as life is slower. There is less to do to have (2) _____, like going to the cinema or shopping centre. It is also more (3) _____ to get to places because often there are no good public transport systems. Getting a (4) _____ in the country may also be harder. Most jobs are in the city so people have to (5) _____ there every day and this can be (6) _____.

1. fun
 2. job
 3. tiring
 4. boring
 5. drive
 6. difficult

CITY LIFE: Living in the city may be exciting but it is also (1) _____ . The crime rate is higher and people may feel less (2) _____ than in the countryside. Also, there is more (3) _____ because of the cars. So there are more traffic jams. Cities are bigger and so they are more (4) _____ . City life is faster and people are often so busy and (5) _____ that they don't have time to pay much attention to their neighbours. Some people may also feel (6) _____ .

1. crowded
 2. lonely
 3. dangerous
 4. stressed
 5. pollution
 6. secure

What about you? Write a small text about whether you'd prefer to live in the city or the countryside.