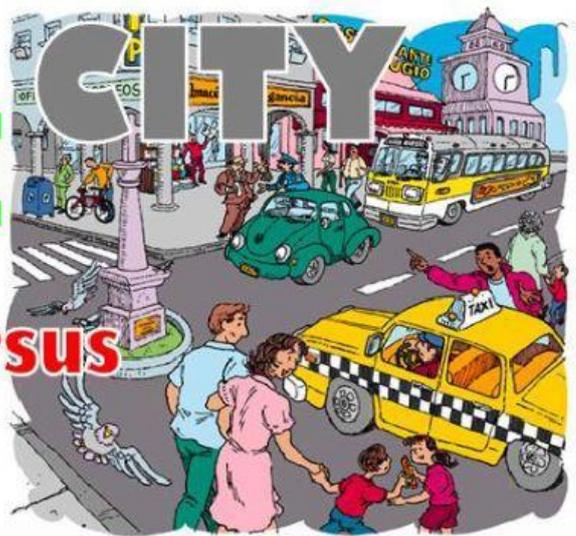


# COUNTRYSIDE



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

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- 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

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**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.