

# Where People Settle

Read for clues about urban, suburban, and rural places.

**5.7.A** "identify and describe the patterns of settlement such as rural, urban, and suburban;"

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## 1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

**YOUR JOB** Underline every rural clue, circle every suburban clue, and write U beside every urban clue. Your marks should show how the number of people, buildings, and open spaces help identify each settlement pattern.

### Three Areas Near Riverton

- ① In the center of Riverton, many people live and work close together. Tall apartment buildings stand near offices, stores, restaurants, and a bus station. Sidewalks are busy, and buses carry riders throughout the day. Streets have many buildings and little open land. This urban settlement has a large population in a small area, so people often use shared transportation and services nearby.
- ② Beyond Riverton's crowded center, Maple Grove has homes on streets with yards and driveways. Its residents can reach a school, park, grocery store, and library without traveling far. The neighborhood has more space and fewer tall buildings than the center, but it is not open countryside. Many adults commute by car or bus to nearby jobs. This is a suburban settlement pattern.
- ③ Farther from Riverton, the Lopez family lives on a farm along a country road. Fields, barns, and widely spaced homes surround their house. There are few stores or bus stops nearby, so the family drives farther for shopping and some services. This rural settlement has fewer people and more open land than Maple Grove. Rural residents may know neighbors who live several miles away.

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ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1

What are two clues that Riverton's center is an urban settlement?

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How is Maple Grove different from Riverton's center? Use details about buildings or space.

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Which settlement pattern describes the Lopez family's community? Give two details that support your answer.

4

Put the three settlement patterns in order from Riverton's center to the area farthest away. Give one detail for each pattern.

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YOUR TURN

Your own words

Invent three places in one region, one urban, one suburban, and one rural. In each row, name the settlement pattern and write two details that show why the place fits.

| SETTLEMENT PATTERN | TWO DETAILS THAT SHOW THE PATTERN |
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**PART 1 • READ AND MARK**

Underline every rural clue, circle every suburban clue, and write U beside every urban clue. Your marks should show how the number of people, buildings, and open spaces help identify each settlement pattern. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

**PART 2 • ANSWERS**

| # | QUESTION                                                                                                                       | ANSWER                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 1 | What are two clues that Riverton's center is an urban settlement?                                                              | <b>Possible clues include tall apartment buildings, many people living and working close together, many buildings, little open land, busy sidewalks, and buses.</b>                           |
| 2 | How is Maple Grove different from Riverton's center? Use details about buildings or space.                                     | <b>Maple Grove has more space, homes with yards, and fewer tall buildings than Riverton's center.</b>                                                                                         |
| 3 | Which settlement pattern describes the Lopez family's community? Give two details that support your answer.                    | <b>It is rural. It has a farm, fields, barns, widely spaced homes, few nearby stores or bus stops, and more open land.</b>                                                                    |
| 4 | Put the three settlement patterns in order from Riverton's center to the area farthest away. Give one detail for each pattern. | <b>Urban is in Riverton's center, with many buildings close together. Suburban is Maple Grove, with homes and yards. Rural is farthest away, with farms, fields, and widely spaced homes.</b> |

**PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)**

| SETTLEMENT PATTERN | TWO DETAILS THAT SHOW THE PATTERN                                             |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Urban              | Tall apartments and shops stand close together. City buses carry many riders. |
| Suburban           | Houses have yards, and a school and park are nearby.                          |
| Rural              | Farms and fields surround widely spaced homes. Stores are far away.           |

Accept other accurate clues from the passage that describe population, buildings, open land, transportation, or nearby services. For Your Turn, accept original examples if each pattern is correctly identified and supported by two fitting details.