

# What Is a City?

*What kinds of people, buildings, and jobs make up your city?*

<sup>1</sup> A city is made up of people. They live and work in the city. Some of them work to make sure the city is a good place to live. They make rules for the people in the city. One rule might be, "Don't throw trash in the street." What rules does your city have?

<sup>2</sup> Other people try to make sure there are things to do in a city. They run restaurants, movie

theaters, and sports centers. The bigger a city is, the more things there are to do. What is there to do in your city?

<sup>3</sup> If a city is going to be a nice place to live, the people who live there must agree to follow the city's rules. They must also pay taxes. Taxes pay for things such as cleaning the streets, running schools, and filling the public library with books. Is your city a nice place to live?



1. This article is mostly about

\_\_\_\_\_ what makes a city.

\_\_\_\_\_ how to live in a city.

\_\_\_\_\_ America's largest cities.

2. What is your favorite thing to do in your city or in a nearby city?

Write about it.

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3. The person who wrote this article is the \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Do you think this article is meant to give information or to make

you laugh? Write why.

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5. Would you most like to live in a city, in a small town, or in the country? Explain.

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6. Which of the following would taxes NOT pay for?

\_\_\_\_\_ library books

\_\_\_\_\_ a new clothing store

\_\_\_\_\_ street cleaning

7. If you made the rules for a city, what rule would be most important to you?

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8. **It is more fun to live in a city than in the country.** Is this a fact or an opinion?

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