

NORTH STAR 3e Level 2

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Video Activity Worksheet

Unit 2: The Country and the City

The Quality of Life

Comprehension

Predict

This video discusses planned communities. These communities are designed to recreate small-town life in America. Before you watch the video, answer the question.

What do you think “small-town life” is?

Focus

Watch the video. Answer the following question.

What does Louise Orlando like about living in Radburn?

Comprehension A

Choose True or False. Circle T or F.

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| 1. Radburn keeps people and cars separated. | T | F |
| 2. Homeowners can change the outside of their homes any way they want. | T | F |
| 3. Radburn has swimming pools and tennis courts. | T | F |
| 4. Radburn has open spaces and walkways. | T | F |

Comprehension B

Choose the correct answer. Circle a, b, or c.

- Which of the following is not associated with small-town America?
 - wide sidewalks
 - small stores and restaurants
 - large shopping malls
- What surprised Louis Orlando when her kids started school in Radburn?
 - Her children did not get any homework.
 - They had to cross many streets to get to school.
 - They used a tunnel to get to school.
- Why have Radburn’s rules about garages had to change?
 - People like to have big garages.
 - Cars and SUVs are large and need to fit.
 - People have more tools and bicycles now that need to fit in garages.



Speaking

Choose one of the topics. Record and submit a one-to-two-minute response.

- Would you like to live in a planned community like Radburn? Why or why not?
- What do you think it means to have a “sense of community”? Is there a sense of community where you live?

Writing

One of the goals of planned communities is to recreate the feeling of small-town America from the past. Write a paragraph about how your life today is different from life in the past. Do you think life has improved?

