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How's the neighborhood?

1 Places

A Match the words in columns A and B. Write the names of the places.

A	B	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> coffee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> campus	1. coffee shop
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> college	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shop	2. gas station
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hotspot	3. hair salon
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> grocery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> office	4. College campus
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mall	5. Grocery store
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> movie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> salon	6. Shopping mall
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> post	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> station	7. Wi-Fi hotspot
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shopping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> store	8. Post office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> theater	9. Movie theater

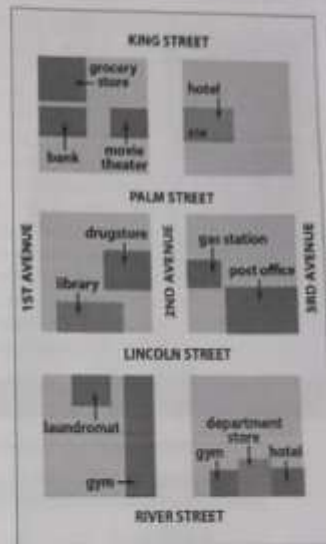
B Write questions with *Is there a ... ?* or *Are there any ... ?* and the names of places from part A.

- A: I need a haircut. *Is there a hair salon near here?*
B: Yes, there's one on Grand Street.
- A: I want to buy some new clothes. *Is there a shopping mall near here?*
B: No, there isn't, but there's one in Center City.
- A: I need to mail this package. *Is there a post office around here?*
B: Yes, there's one next to the bank.
- A: I want to see a movie tonight. *Is there a movie theater around here?*
B: Yes, there's one in the shopping mall.
- A: We need some gas. *Are there any gas stations on this street?*
B: No, there aren't, but there are a couple on Second Avenue.
- A: We need to buy some cereal and some apples. *Is there a grocery store near here?*
B: Yes, there's one near the gym on Brown Street.

3 Answer these questions. Use the map and the prepositions in the box.

- across from between in
 near next to on the corner of

- Where's the nearest bank?
There's one next to the grocery store on 1st Avenue.
- Is there a post office near here?
Yes, there is one on the corner of Lincoln Street.
- I'm looking for a drugstore.
There's one near of library on 2nd Avenue.
- Is there a laundromat in this neighborhood?
Yes, there is one across from library on Lincoln Street.
- Is there a department store on River Street?
Yes, there is one between the gym and hotel.
- Are there any ATMs around here?
Yes, there are one in hotel on 2nd Avenue.



4 Answer these questions about your city or neighborhood. Use the expressions in the box and your own information.

- Yes, there is. There's one on ... ✓ Yes, there are. There are some on ... ✓
 No, there isn't. ✓ No, there aren't. ✓

- Are there any good coffee shops around the school? *Yes, there are. There are some on Ignacio la Llave Street.*
- Is there a drugstore near the school? *Yes, there is. There's one on Nazario Ortiz Avenue.*
- Are there any grocery stores in your neighborhood? *No, there aren't.*
- Is there a laundromat close to your home? *No, there isn't.*

5 The grass is always greener

A Read the interviews. Where would Charles like to live? Where would Arlene like to live?

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WE ASKED TWO PEOPLE ABOUT THE PLACES THEY LIVE.

Charles Bell

"My neighborhood is very convenient — it's near the shopping center and the bus station. It's also safe. But those are the only good things about living downtown. It's very noisy because the streets are always full of people! The traffic is terrible, and parking is a big problem! I can never park on my own street. I'd like to live in a small town."



Arlene Miller

"My family and I live in a nice small town. It has a great square where people meet for social events, and there's music on summer evenings. It's a safe place to raise children. But there is no privacy here. Everyone in town knows what you are doing all the time. And I don't meet as many interesting people as when I lived in the city. It can be too quiet here. I want more action! I think it's better downtown."



B How do Charles and Arlene feel about their neighborhoods? Complete the chart.

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Downtown	convenient It's near the shopping center. It's near the bus station.	It's very noisy. The traffic is terrible. The street is always full of people.
Small Town	It's also safe. It has a great square. There's music on summer evenings. It's a safe place to raise children.	Parking is a big problem. no privacy. Everyone in town knows what you are doing all the time. There is too much silence.

C Do you think it's better to live downtown or in a small town? Why?

Downtown, because there are many things to visit and where to shop, what I would like from there is that is a lot of noise.

D How do you feel about the place you live? Write about it.

The place where I live seems fine to me, it is very quiet, there is almost no noise, I have shopping centers nearby, the school and the gym are also close to my house.

6 Complete the chart. Use words from the box.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> bank | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> library | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> people | <input type="checkbox"/> theater |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> crime | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> noise | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> pollution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> traffic |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hospital | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> parking | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> school | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> water |

Count nouns		Noun-count nouns	
bank	school	crime	pollution
hospital	theater	noise	traffic
library	people	parking	water

7 Write questions using **How much ... ?** or **How many ... ?** Then look at the picture and write answers to the questions. Use the expressions in the box.

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|---|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a few | <input type="checkbox"/> a lot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> many |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> none | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not any | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> only a little |

- trash: How much trash is there? There's only a little.
- buses: How many buses are there? There are not any.
- traffic: How much traffic is there? There is a few.
- bicycles: How many bicycles are there? There are many.
- police officers: How many police officers are there? There are none.
- crime: How much crime is there? There is a lot.



8 Choose the correct words or phrases to complete the conversation.



Andrea: Are there any (any / one / none) coffee shops around here, Carlos?

Carlos: Sure. There are any (any / one / a lot). There's a coffee shop on (across from / between / on) the Daily Market, but it's expensive.

Andrea: Well, are there one (any / none / one) others?

Carlos: Yeah, there are one (a few / a little / one). There's a nice one (any / one / some) near here. It's called Morning Joe.

Andrea: That's perfect! Where is it, exactly?

Carlos: It's on Third Avenue, between (between / on / on the corner of) the National Bank and the Chinese restaurant.

Andrea: So let's go!

9 Choose the correct words or phrases.

1. I'm going to the grocery store to get some Food (clothes / gas / food)
2. We're taking a long drive. We need to stop at the Gas station (laundromat / gas station / drugstore)
3. I live on the 8th floor of my apartment building (apartment building / neighborhood / theater)
4. Our apartment is in the center of the city. We live downtown (downtown / in the neighborhood / in the suburbs)