

Canadian Communities Study Guide

An overview of urban, rural, and remote communities, with a fill-in activity about your own.

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Canada's communities are often grouped into three types, based on population size and distance from services. Use this guide to review the differences.

The Three Community Types

Type	What it looks like	Example
Urban	Densely packed, many people, tall buildings, lots of nearby services	Toronto, Vancouver
Rural	Spread out, fewer people, farmland or small towns, longer distances to services	Small towns in southern Ontario
Remote	Very few people, far from cities, limited road access, services many hours away	Northwest communities, e.g. parts of Nunavut

My Community

My community is: ☐ Urban ☐ Rural ☐ Remote

Two clues that tell me this:

One service that's close by:

One service that's far away:

Think & Talk About It

- What services are close to us? What services are far away?
- Why might someone choose to live in a rural or remote community?
- How might daily life differ for a child in a remote community?