

Fun Facts

- The first subway system in the United States was built in Boston.
- New York City has the highest population in the United States.
- Most cities have at least one daily newspaper.

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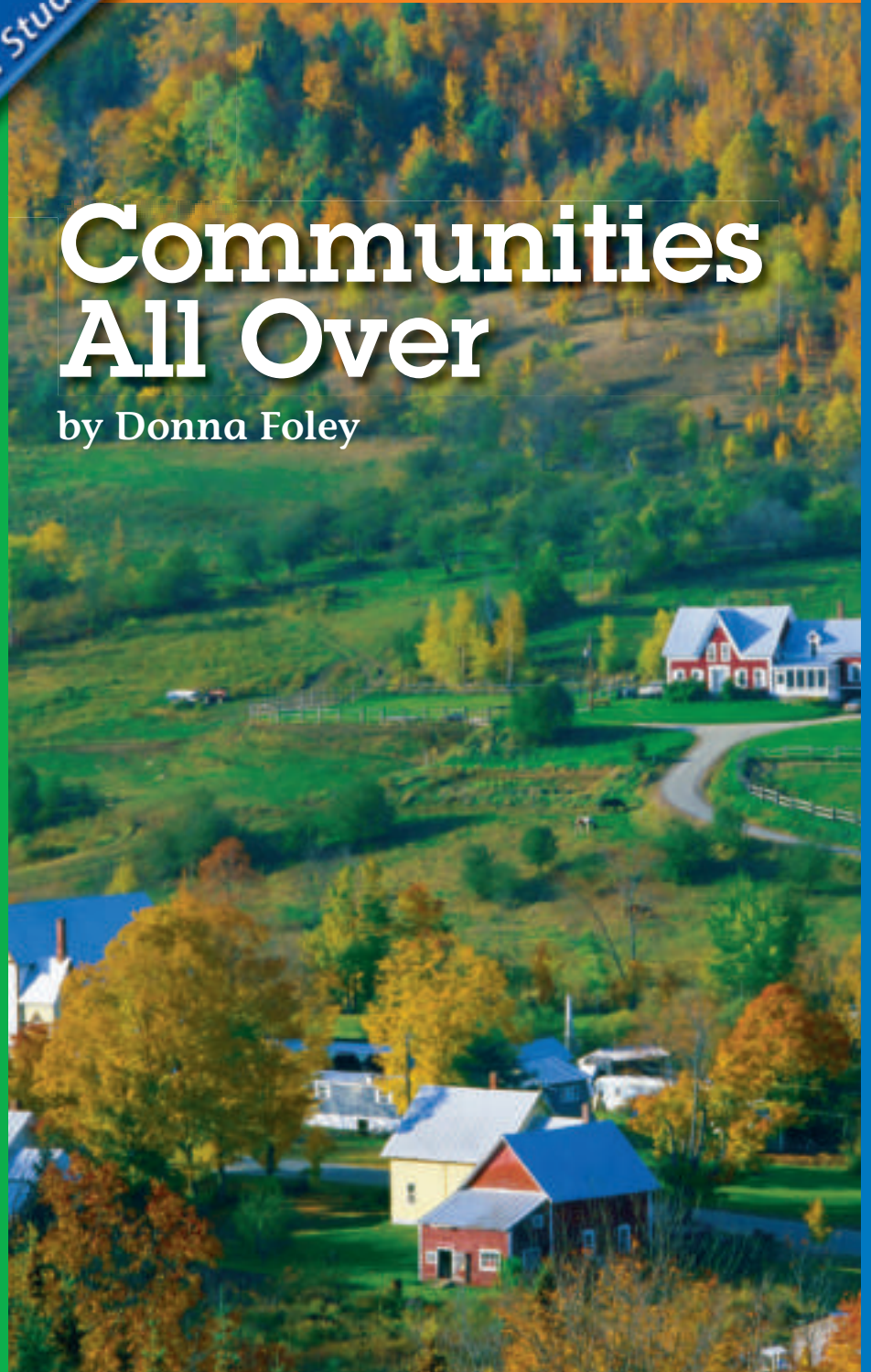


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Communities All Over

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In this book you will read about communities. You will learn about how neighborhoods are the same and different.



Vocabulary

community

urban

suburb

rural



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There are different communities all over our country. All communities have neighborhoods. Each **community** uses land differently. Some neighborhoods are crowded into small areas.



Urban communities have a city. Urban neighborhoods are crowded with many buildings. A **suburb** is near a city. Suburban neighborhoods have many houses and places to shop. **Rural** communities have a lot of open space and nature. Many rural communities have farms.





In suburban communities, people live in neighborhoods with many houses near each other. Their houses usually have yards. Some families plant small vegetable and flower gardens.



In urban communities, people live in neighborhoods with many apartment buildings. Families usually do not have their own yards. In urban neighborhoods, some families make small gardens on their balconies. They plant flowers and vegetables in flower boxes. People may shop near their homes.





In rural communities, families usually live and work on farms. Rural communities have just a few houses spread out over the land. Some families grow their own vegetables on their farms. People in rural areas drive to town to shop. There may be no stores near their houses.



In suburban neighborhoods, families shop near their houses. People usually walk or drive to town. They are close to the market and other shops.

Different communities use land differently. Families live very close together, nearby each other, or spread out in different communities.

What is your community like?



Glossary

community a place that is made up of many neighborhoods

rural an area with small communities and open space

suburb a type of community that is located near a city

urban an area that has a city



Write to It!

Think about the community you live in. Write three or four sentences about your community and how the land is used.

Write your sentences on another sheet of paper.

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