



Mr. Khan, The Cabbie (City VS Country)

A2 – B1

Module 8

Here's What We
Will Be Learning
in this
Presentation:



Summary

- Role Play: City Versus Country.
- Exercises.

Vocabulary

Hailed: to call to someone in order to greet them or try to attract their attention.

Honking: to cause (a horn) to honk loudly.

Tend: to care for something or someone.

Close-knit: bound together by strong relationships and common interests.

Cramped: uncomfortably small or restricted.

Doorstep: a step leading up to the outer door of a house.

Rustling: the sound that paper or leaves make when they move.

Chirping: (especially of a bird) to make a short high sound or sounds.

Role Play: City VS Country

(At the Fairwick Hotel)

Mark: Stop. Stop.
Oh, when are we going to get a cab?



Linda: Over here,
Mark. I hailed a taxi. Come on.

Mr. Khan:
Hello. Where do you want to go?



The Charleston airport, please.

We are returning home to Shady Groves after visiting our daughter.

Sure. Are you going on a trip?

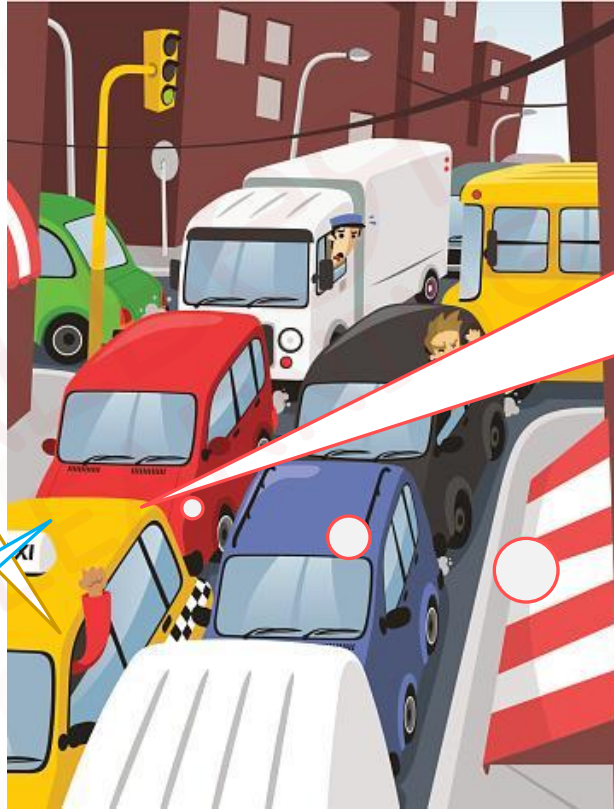


We did not like it! There is too much traffic and constant noise. No one can drive without honking.

Oh! You are from the countryside. How did you like Boston?



The traffic's not that bad and you get used to the noise.



We don't have this kind of traffic in the country. We just have blue skies and empty roads.

There is a lot less pollution too.



No, but we have other things to fill up our time. We **tend to our gardens and farms**, go for **long walks.....**

The traffic may be bad, but you have the Fenway Park, museums, aquariums, and **so much more to see**. Surely you can't find all that in the country.

Yes. They don't live in small, cramped apartments, **they have space-** to play, to live....

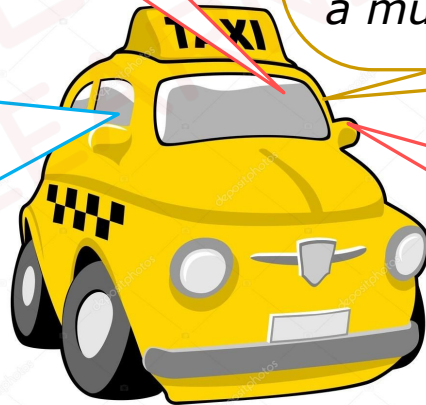


The children grown up in a **close-knit community**. They don't have to worry about things like **pollution**.

But everything is so **expensive in Boston**. **Shady Groves** is comparatively **cheaper**.

Children have **better educational opportunities** in Boston. You also have the **world at your doorstep**. You can order anything online and have it delivered the next day. You can eat a variety of cuisines, visit both a museum and a library in an hour.....

We **grow our own food** and what we cannot grow, our neighbours grow and share with us.



We have a very loving and caring community.

That helps us **feel closer to nature**. It is so **peaceful** over there, with just the noises of leaves rustling or birds chirping.



Don't you get **bored** doing nothing out in the country? All you have for company are trees and plants.

No matter what you say, I still love Boston. Only in a city can you **meet so many different types of people**.

That is how we feel about the city. I think, living in the city or country depends on the kind of person you are.

Country life includes a lot of **hard work**. To grow your own food, you need to constantly take care of your plants. In Boston, I can buy eggs from a grocery store at midnight, if I wanted.

It doesn't matter where you live, as long as you are happy.



Visiting the country for some days sounds like fun, but I couldn't live there. I would miss my city too much.

Exercise 1

Listen carefully to the Trainer read out meanings and identify the right word.

Exercise 2

State True or False:

Mr. Khan says

Country life is boring.

There is a lot of pollution in the city.

There are many trees in the city.

You get used to the noise.

There are many educational opportunities.

He hates buying eggs at midnight.

Mark and Linda say

They love Boston, but love the country more.

There is a lot of traffic in the country.

They live in Sandy Groves.

They grow their own food.

They hate the sound of birds chirping.

They came to visit their son.

Exercise 3

Listen to the description the trainer reads and choose if it is describing the city or the country, taking help from the role play.

Exercise 4

After reading the role play, choose which place you prefer, CITY or COUNTRY. Explain why with three reasons.