

Social Studies Unit 1 Study Guide

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Students should be familiar with all of the ideas below.

Communities:

- **are places where people live, work, and play together.**
- help people meet their basic needs, which are **food, clothing, and shelter.**
- help keep people safe.

Natural Characteristics:

- **NOT made by humans.**
- Examples: **trees, toad**, flower

Human Characteristics:

- **Something made by a person.**
- Examples: **road, house**, school

Forms of transportation:

- **bus**, train, car, subway

All communities:

- have **people, buildings**, and **places to live.**
- are different (**some DO NOT have rivers**, bridges, hills, etc., **a city has a lot of buildings and a lot of people, small towns have farms**).

Governments:

- The **main reason we form them is to keep people safe.**
- They **DO NOT decide children's allowance.**
- They make and enforce laws (example: **police officers give a ticket to someone for speeding**).