### **Objective**

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to identify and differentiate between urban, suburban, and rural areas.

## **Materials and Prep**

- Pen or pencil
- Blank paper

Before starting the lesson, make sure you have a basic understanding of what cities, suburbs, and rural areas are.

### **Activities**

### 1. Draw and Label

Draw three different scenes on your blank paper - one representing an urban area, one representing a suburban area, and one representing a rural area. Label each scene accordingly.

### 2. Neighborhood Hunt

Take a walk around your neighborhood and identify the characteristics that make it either urban, suburban, or rural. Write down your observations.

### 3. Picture Sort

Look through magazines or online images and cut out or print pictures of different places. Sort them into three categories - urban, suburban, and rural. Explain your choices.

# **Talking Points**

### • Urban Areas

"Urban areas are places where many people live and work. They have tall buildings, busy streets, and lots of cars. Cities are examples of urban areas. Can you think of any cities you know?"

### • Suburban Areas

"Suburban areas are usually located near cities. They are less crowded than cities and have more houses with yards. Suburbs often have parks and shopping centers. Can you think of any suburbs near where we live?"

### Rural Areas

"Rural areas are found in the countryside, away from cities. They have lots of open space, farms, and forests. People who live in rural areas often have larger properties and may have animals like cows or horses. Have you ever been to a rural area?"

#### Differences

"Now let's compare the three types of areas. Urban areas are crowded with tall buildings, while suburban areas have more houses with yards. Rural areas have lots of open space and farms.