

Fishing Village

Location: On the Atlantic Coast in Maine

Population: 9,000 individuals



Community focus:

- Fishing
- Fish Processing
- Marine Equipment Sales

Problems:

- Your fishing lines and nets are good, but sometimes the really big fish can cut through or break them, and they're always getting tangled and making a mess
- Boats sometimes sink if there's a storm or submerged rocks or a reef. Also, they sometimes get lost at sea.
- Pollution: Fish cannot live in polluted waters. And people don't want to eat fish that come from polluted waters.
- Price of Fish – you want to be sure that the fishermen are able to sell their catch for a good price.

Las Vegas

Location: Nevada

Population: 1.5 million individuals



Community focus:

- Gambling
- Hotels
- Restaurants
- Entertainment - musicals, singers, magic shows and other performances
- Tourism
- Shopping

Problems:

- Casinos have a lot of cash inside and must be protected, so security is very important.
- Las Vegas depends on the money that tourists bring when they visit on vacation; therefore, it is important for tourists to have a good time so they will return again and again.
- Tourists are also prime targets for pickpockets.

Dairy Town

Location: Wisconsin

Population: 5,000 Individuals

Community focus:

- Dairy Production
- Cattle Feed Production



Problems:

- Cows escape from pastures
- Price of production – the farmers need cheaper ways to feed their cattle and to get their products to market.
- Waste disposal – you don't want to pollute the land and water or spread disease. Proper removal of the cows' waste is very important.

Rust Belt Town

Location: Pennsylvania

Population: 500,000 individuals

Community focus:

- Steel
- Chemical Production



Problems:

- No Jobs. Your citizens may soon begin moving to other cities in search of employment.
- Pollution – the government has said that your town has unacceptable levels of water and air pollution.

Traveling Circus

Location: Changes every week

Population: 200 people and animals

Community focus: Entertainment



Problems:

- Safety - You don't want the performers to be hurt if they are attacked by a tiger or lion, nor do you want the trapeze ropes to break nor the tightrope to snap.
- Your tents have lots of trouble in high winds and stormy conditions.
- Transportation – the price of gas is high, and the circus uses lots of large trucks.

Space Station

Location: 400 Miles above Earth

Population: 7 Astronauts



Community focus: Research, creating and testing new products

Problems:

- There's no gravity
- Bringing new supplies takes a very long time and is very expensive.
- Solar radiation, meteorites, and space trash can be very damaging
- Waste disposal – what do you do with garbage and other waste that is produced while in space?

Retirement Colony

Location: Florida

Population: 600 Senior Citizens

Community focus:

- Health Care
- Dining
- House Cleaning
- Fishing
- Medicines



Problems:

- Security: The citizens are worried about their safety and want to be sure that no thieves or conmen can enter your community
- Recreation: Your citizens are too old to work, and they need something to do all day.
- Safety: Some of the people in your community don't walk very well, and sometimes they fall and hurt themselves.
- Health care and medicine your citizens have many health problems, and it is important for them to see doctors regularly and to have good access to medication. And the cheaper, the better.

State Prison

Location: California

Population: 5,000 inmates, 200 guards

Community focus:

- License Plates
- Laundry
- Furniture
- Security



Problems:

- Security: It's important to both keep the inmates in the prison and under control and to protect them from outside.
- Entertainment and Work– If the inmates are bored, they are more likely to cause problems.
- Healthcare - Some of the inmates are very old, and others get sick easily since diseases transmit easily when so many people are in such a small area.

Igloo Town

Location: In Alaska's far north.

Population: 300 Individuals

Community focus:

- Fishing
- Petroleum
- Hunting



Problems:

- Location: Getting supplies is expensive and takes a long time. If people are hurt or sick, they need to take an airplane to get to the nearest hospital.
- Climate: It is very cold, and for six months of the year you have almost no sunlight.
- Polar Bears: They're dangerous!

Deserted Island

Location: The South Pacific

Population: Just you!

Community focus:

- Coconuts
- Fish

Problems:

- Basic necessities: food, fresh water, shelter, are not easy to find
- It is very hot, and you have no protection from the sun
- If Hurricanes or Tropical Storms come, you have no place to hide

