

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson lived in a big crowded city, and one summer they took a vacation in the country. They enjoyed it very much, because it was a quiet, clean place and very different from the city.

One day they went for a walk early in the morning and met an old man. He lived on a farm, and he was sitting alone in the warm sun outside his front door. Mr. Wilson asked him, "Do you like living in such a quiet place?"

The old man said, "Yes, I do."

Mr. Wilson said, "What are the good things about it?"

The old man answered, "Well, everybody knows everybody else. People often come and visit me, and I often go and visit them. And there are also lots of children here."

Mr. Wilson said, "That's interesting. And what are the bad things?"

The old man thought for a minute and then said, "Well, the same things, really."