

# Why do so many people in the world live in megacities?

## YEAR 4 - SUMMER 2 - MEGACITIES

### SETTLEMENT:

A settlement is a place where people live and sometimes work. Different names are given to the different types of settlements, usually depending on their size.



HAMLET

A hamlet is the smallest type of settlement. A hamlet consists of a group of houses usually without other facilities such as shops or places of worship.



VILLAGE

A village is a small settlement with a population of several hundred people. As well as houses, a village will also usually have a shop, a place of worship and a village hall for community events.



TOWN

A town often has a population of several thousand with more homes, shops, schools, factories, restaurants and more transport links such as train and bus stations. Towns also usually have their own local government and a town hall.

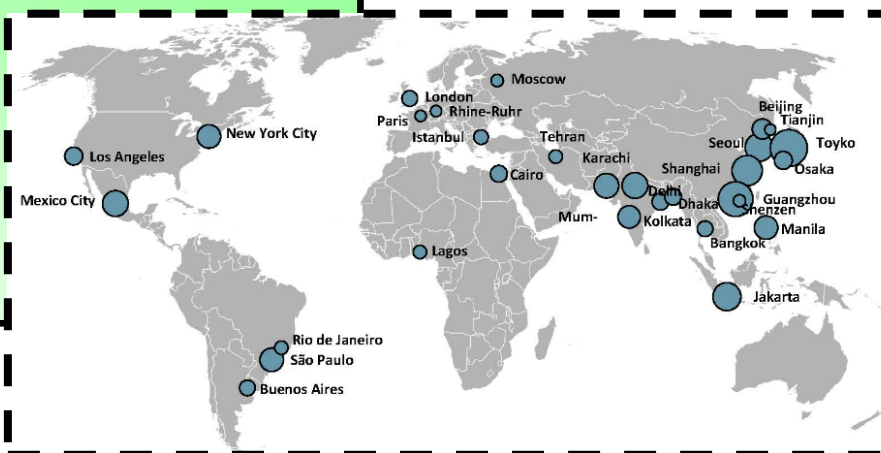


CITY

Cities are usually the largest type of settlement with a variety of facilities including a cathedral. Cities have many thousands of people living there. They often have larger transport links including airports and more educational establishments such as universities.

### MEGACITY

A megacity is a city with a population of more than **TEN MILLION PEOPLE.**



People often move to megacities for better job opportunities, more money and better healthcare.

