

settlement

urban

rural

suburban

population

dense population

sparse population

conurbation

a place where people live

an area where a large number of people live near to each other: urban areas have lots of buildings and roads

an area located outside of towns and cities, sometimes called the countryside: people often live far apart in rural areas

an area on the edges of towns and cities where people live: suburban areas often have green space and homes often have gardens

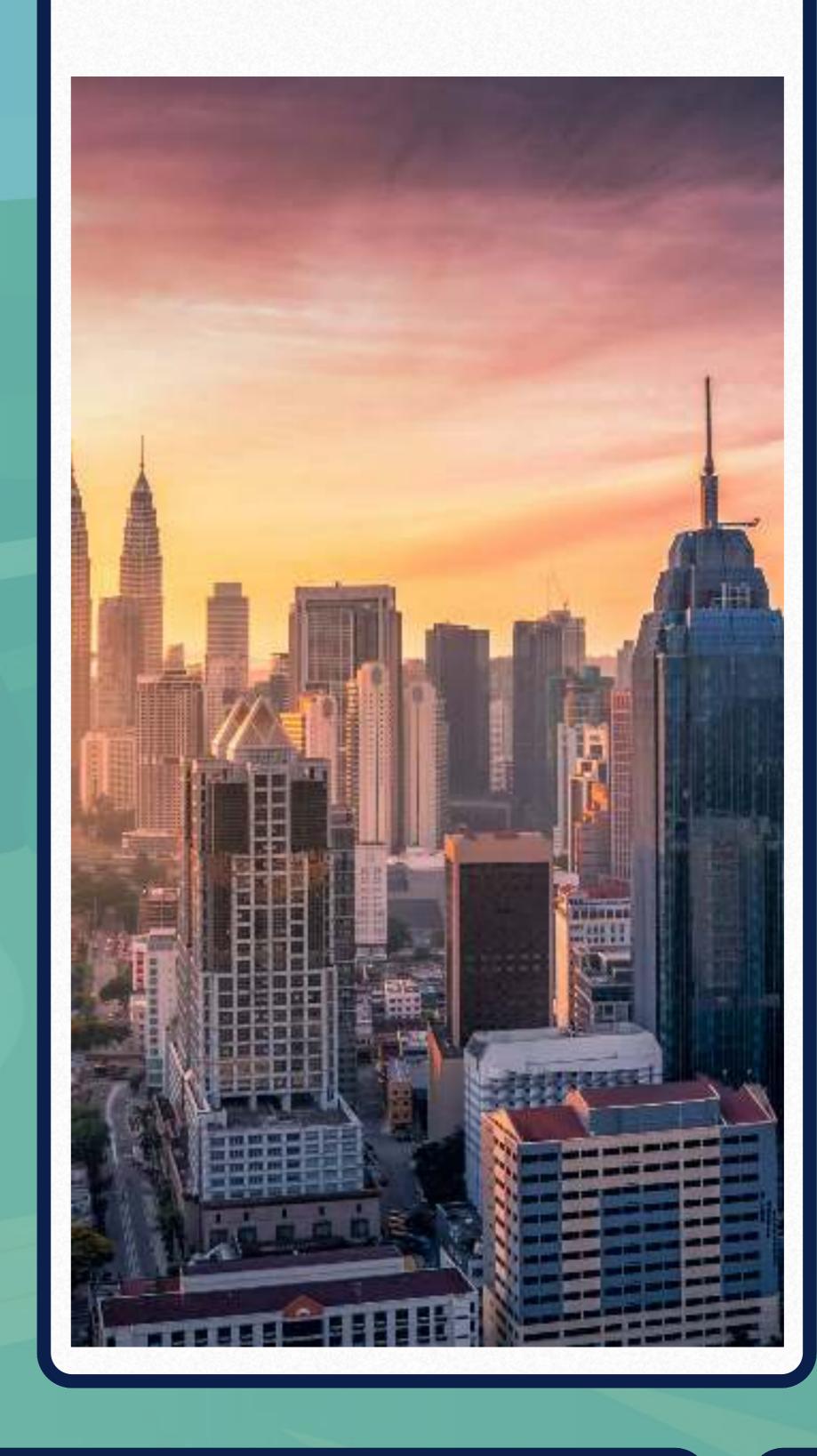
the number of people living in an area

many people living in an area, homes are close to one another

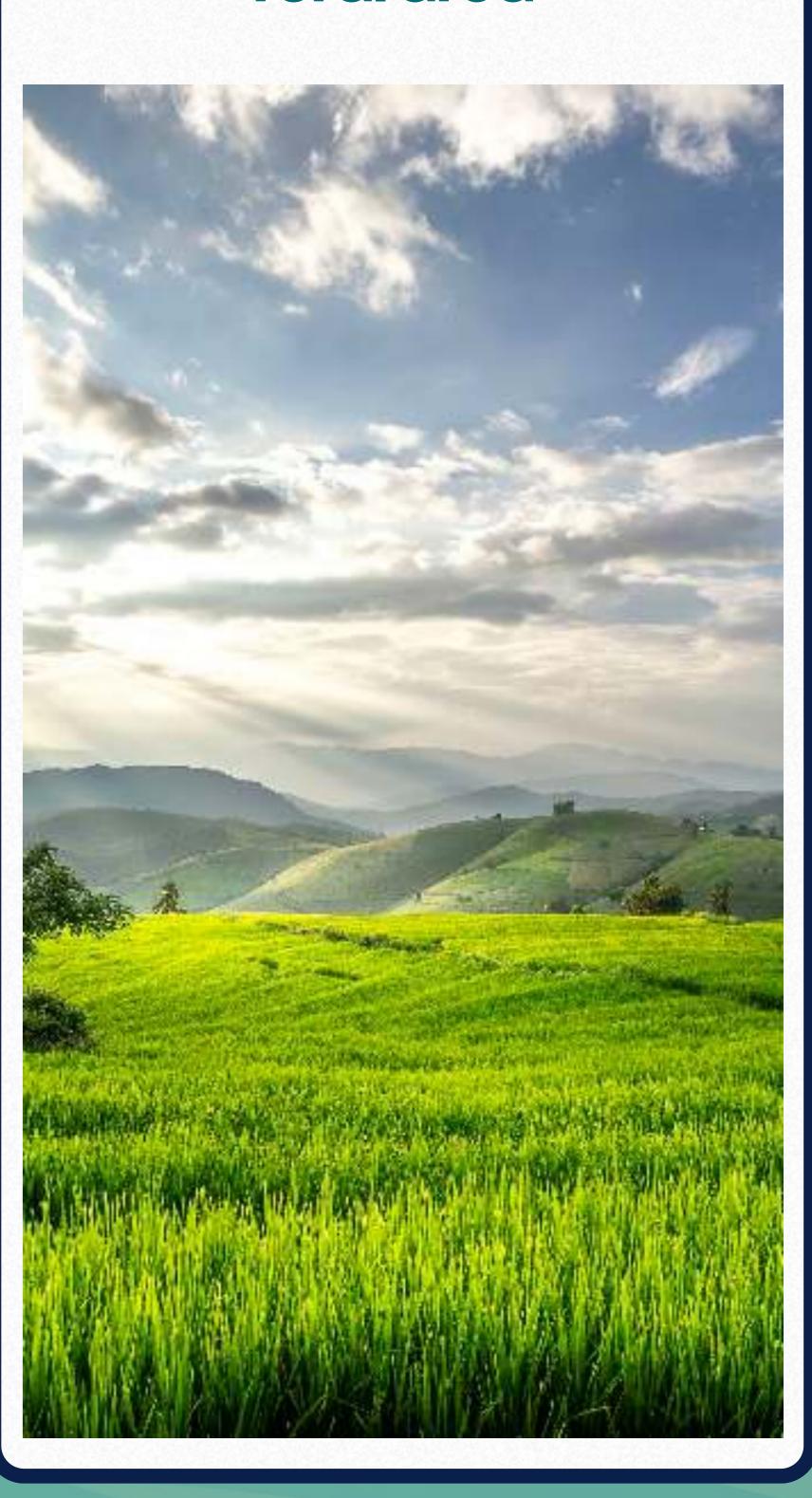
few people living in an area, homes are spread out

an urban area that has developed when the suburban areas of several towns or cities merged

urban area



rural area



hamlet



a small settlement with a very small number of homes and no services

village



a group of houses in the countryside, sometimes with a church and small shop

town



a place where there are lots of houses and shops: a town may have a local council that makes decisions for the people who live there

city



a city is a large urban area where lots of people live close to each other. there are often lots of shops and services in a city