

# Open Forum 2

## Web Site Worksheet

### Chapter 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### 1. Preparing to Listen

**You are going to listen to a TV news program about the best places to live in the United States. Before you listen, think about the following questions.**

How would you choose the best place to live? What factors would you consider?

What would be your ideal place to live?



#### 2. Listening for Main Ideas

**Read questions 1 and 2. Listen to the news program. Then choose the correct answer for each question.**

- Which is the best place to live in America this year?
  - Ann Arbor, Michigan
  - Charlottesville, Virginia
  - Atlanta, Georgia
- Why is this not necessarily good news for the city that was chosen?
  - Too many people may move to the city.
  - Too many reporters will visit the city.
  - The value of homes will drop.



#### 3. Listening for More Detail

**Read questions 3–11. Then listen to the news program again and choose the correct answer for each question.**

- What is the name of the magazine that lists the top places to live?
  - Kevin Ingles
  - City Select
  - Best Places
- Which of the following is mentioned as an advantage of living in Charlottesville?
  - good shopping
  - low house prices
  - beautiful nature

- Why is summer a good season in Charlottesville?
  - It's not very humid.
  - You can go water-skiing.
  - There are many colorful flowers.
- Who is Kenny Flint?
  - a city planner
  - a student
  - a reporter
- What does Kenny not like about Central Park?
  - There is a lot of pollution.
  - There are too many tourists.
  - It is too planned and man-made.
- Which of the following is a disadvantage of living in Charlottesville?
  - house prices
  - cost of living
  - sprawl
- Why does the newscaster mention Ann Arbor?
  - It was number two on the list this year.
  - It was number one on the list previously.
  - It is another city in Virginia.
- What negative effect did the increase in population cause in Ann Arbor?
  - poor public schools
  - more crime
  - increase in house prices
- The newscaster ends the broadcast by saying that this announcement could be a "double-edged sword." What does he mean?
  - The advantages might be greater than the disadvantages.
  - It might be both good and bad for the city.
  - It might just be bad for the city.