Speaking Card 13: Nature & the countryside

What is the difference between nature, countryside and the environment?

or vegetables like carrots / potatoes / onions /

tomatoes / broccoli / cauliflower.

in the world around us that is important for life on opposite of the city. The environment is everything There are fields / farms / mountains. It is the doesn't have many people / houses / cars there rivers). The countryside is an area of land that man-made (e.g. plants, trees, animals, hills and earth – water, air, plants and animals. Nature is everything that is naturally made / not

> On farms people keep / raise cows / sheep or What kind of farm animals can you find?

Do you prefer to live in the countryside or a city, and why?

of wild birds like pheasants / wild geese / owls and

foxes / hares / deer in the forest. There are also lots

ducks. Sometimes you might see a stork, which has

What types of trees and flowers are there

in the countryside?

its nest high up on a chimney.

In the Czech Republic you can find wild boars /

What kind of wild animals can you find?

for meat. There might be a farm dog / cat. chickens for eggs / turkeys / ducks / geese / rabbits horses in the fields. You might have goats for milk /

often go for a walk / hike in the countryside. but I visit the countryside often / every weekend. We living on a farm. I like both, I like to live in a town my friends easily. I love living in the countryside. there are more things to do / places to go / I can see ! like... being close to nature / going for long walks / I like living / I prefer to live in a town / city... because

What are the positive things about living in the countryside?

you can find trees with needles (evergreen trees) garden, e.g. apple / pear / plum trees. In the forest In villages / farms there are lots of fruit trees in the

Trees that have leaves (deciduous trees) are oak

the countryside. You can eat lots of home-grown animals / enjoy walks. It is much healthier to live in enjoy beautiful walks / see lovely views / see wild It is clean. You can feel relaxed / calm. You can locally grown fruit and vegetables. There is fresh air / less pollution / more space.

What are the negatives?

one to talk to. If you need anything, you have to drive to school and you have to take a bus / train every day cinemas / places to go. It can take you a long time to get to the nearest town to get it. There are no big shops / You can feel quite isolated / alone because there is no

What can you do in the countryside?

and plants for oxygen / we need rivers to take away shouldn't pollute the countryside. We need trees

water so that we don't have flooding.

so that... we have somewhere to go to get fresh It's important that we look after the countryside Why do you think it's important to protect

our countryside and nature?

(= sedmikrásky) / violets (= fialky) / poppies (= vlčí include dandelions (= pampelišky) / daisies Some flowers that grow in the countryside (= dub) / maple (= javor) / linden tree (AmE) (= lípa) like pine (= borovice) / spruce (= smrk) / fir (= jedle)

air / there are places for wild animals to live. We

tents / in the open air. animals. Many people go camping / sleep... in hike / climb the mountains. You can watch birds. There are lots of activities. You can go for a walk /

What do farmers grow in the countryside?

often travel by public transport and by bike. They

don't use. People who want to stop air pollution

also don't use planes very often

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There are lots of activities. You can go for a walk / hike / climb the mountains. You can watch birds / animals. Many people go camping / sleep... in tents / in the open air.

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