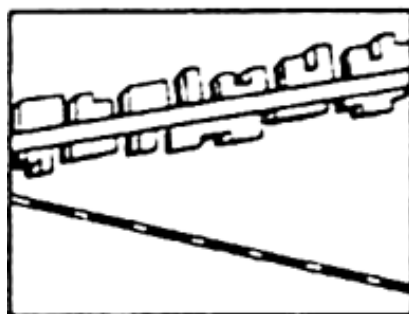


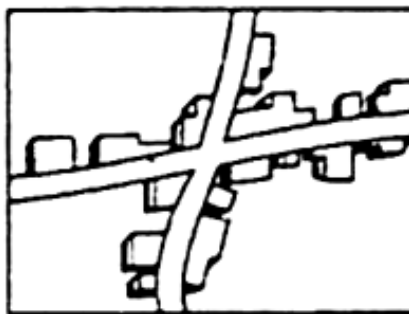
# Types and Patterns of Rural Settlement

**Introduction:** Settlements came about as a result of peoples' need to survive. As a result after the ice age in 8000 BC small groups of people scattered in various parts of the world. They survived by locating or going in search of food and water. Today we say that **site and situation** affect settlement. That is, persons choose settlements based on a number of factors, such as water supply, relief and defense.

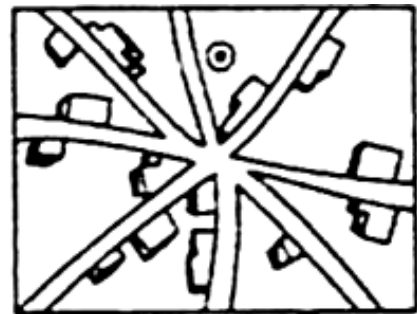
Rural is sometimes used synonymously with the "countryside". A large percentage of the population of developing countries tend to locate in the rural areas.



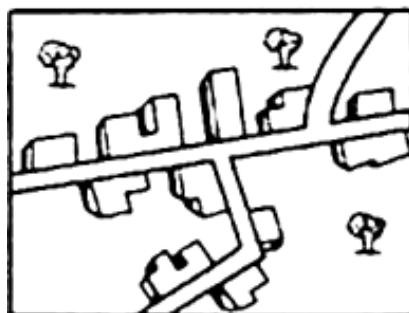
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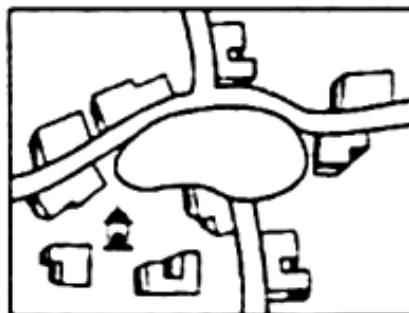
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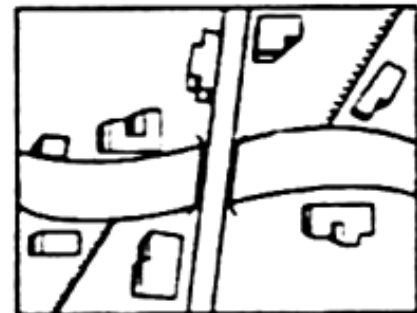
*Star-like Pattern*



*T-Shape Pattern*



*Circular Pattern*



*Double Pattern*

