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Place

All places have characteristics that give them meaning and character. These are the things that distinguish them from other places on earth. Geographers describe places by their physical and human characteristics.

- PHYSICAL** characteristics include landforms and other *natural* features, including animal life.
- HUMAN** characteristics can be noted as architecture, recreation and sports, religion, language, political types of governments, land use and ownership, economic activities (businesses) and communication and transportation networks. These characteristics help make a place unique and different from other places.

When the physical and human characteristics of a place are studied together, they provide clues to help us understand the nature of places on the earth.

Think about the Mililani Community . . . What are the physical and human characteristics that make each community special? Keep in mind the Mililani community stretches from Mauka to Uka, Town Center to Waipio Valley and includes everything in between.

A. Make a list of as many physical characteristics of the Mililani area.

B. Make a list of as many human characteristics of the Mililani area.