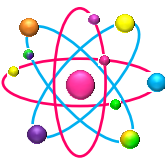


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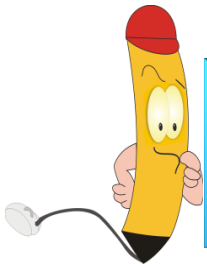
# Know the contents

The Miami Virtual School, presented through texts for elementary education program and sequence of natural science content, enriched with several videos and subtopics. With this text handling you acquire attitudes, skills, abilities and concepts that allow you to expand your worldwide.

Your contents are grouped into four sessions containing topics and subtopics of several pages. Each topic begins with a title, a series of questions whose purpose is to arouse your interest in the contents, you can use these questions at the end of a topic to test your learning. You'll find images related to the concepts and themes, videos, charts, concept maps with didactic sense

The virtualitos help you journey through this adventure of knowledge.

## Inquire to...



When you find this icon you know that there are many unanswered questions, which you can use at the end of a topic to find what you have learned.



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Art is part of your activities, giving a personal touch when you go to color. Now you are the artist!



Virtualito invites you to learn more about the theme, research new things. That's interesting to know!



Did you know that...?  
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## Unit 3

# Social and political organizations

- Our country is organized into territorial entities called departments, districts, municipalities, and indigenous territories. All Colombians inhabit a municipality, which is the basic of political-administrative division of Colombia.

There are large municipalities, such as the capital cities like Bogota, Cali, Medellin, Barranquilla, which are some of the most populous. There are other smaller municipalities such as Villavicencio, Pereira and Bucaramanga.





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Colombia is a country made up of many municipalities. The municipalities so political-administrative divisions of Colombia that have formed over time. The first towns date back to the time of the Spanish conquest, when, on indigenous territories, the Spanish settlers elected these new authorities.



### Functions of the municipality

- A Colombian municipalities are responsible state provide public services demanded by the population living in them, such as building works to ensure local progress and social and cultural improvement of all its inhabitants.

Among the public services that must be provided by the municipal government include:

Water and sewer

This facility consists of a piping system that transports water to homes, business and factories.





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### Natural gas

The gas supply has boomed and propane gas has replaced previously used in the larger municipalities, however, some municipalities still use propane gas is distributed in pipettes.

Natural gas is used as fuel for some vehicles, to light the stove and heaters.



### Telephony and Communications

Today it has become an important service, since by means of the internet people have found widespread media nationally and internationally.





# The municipal government

- The mayors or mayors, are the highest authority of the municipality.



People who are elected by the people for this position must:

Ensure respect and enforce the constitution, laws and government decrees.

To ensure the security and integrity of each of the people who live in the municipality, so the mayor or the mayor is the first police authority in the municipality.

Submit to council projects, budget money and expense required to ensure the quality of life of each of the inhabitants of the municipality.

Collaborate with the council to ensure the proper performance of their duties.

## The city council

The mayors and mayors govern together with the city council, which is comprised of a group of people elected by popular vote for a term of four years.

The functions of the council are:

- a. Ensure that public services are provided in an appropriate way for its users.
- b. Building works for the social and economic welfare of the inhabitants.
- c. Choose a personero or personera to be responsible to defend and promote the rights of citizenship.
- d. Create laws that protect, preserve and defend the cultural and ecological heritage of the town.





## Boards of local actions

The mayor or the mayor, as the highest authority of the municipality, may divide their territory into towns.

It is important to know the social characteristics of the community to determine their needs.

The villages are composed of groups of nearby neighborhoods or villages. In each of the towns there is a local administrative board composed of more than seven aldermen.



The deputies are elected for a term of four years by the city. This group of people has the duty to ensure the satisfaction of the basic needs of the population that have not been met, such as road construction, libraries, parks, schools, colleges and health centers.





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# Climate and environment in the municipality

The municipalities in Colombia have different climatic zones.

Warm Floor: Has temperatures above 24 degrees Celsius. It occurs on both coasts and in the eastern plains.



Flat tempered: Their temperatures are between 16 and 24 degrees Celsius. Located on the slopes of the Colombian Cordilleras.

Flat cold: has temperatures between 10 and 16 degrees Celsius. It is located in the upper parts of the mountains and mountain ranges of Colombia.







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Flat wasteland: Has temperatures below 10 degrees Celsius. It is located on the tops of ridges Colombian.



## The public places of the municipality

We do not live alone and municipality. We have neighbors. There are people living in other neighborhoods and people who visit our town.

Each site meeting with other people is part of the municipality places.



When we go out, we relate to other people, either in a corner, in a mall, in a library, cinema, park, etc..

Apart from the houses, apartments, schools, there are places that we can enjoy and learn.

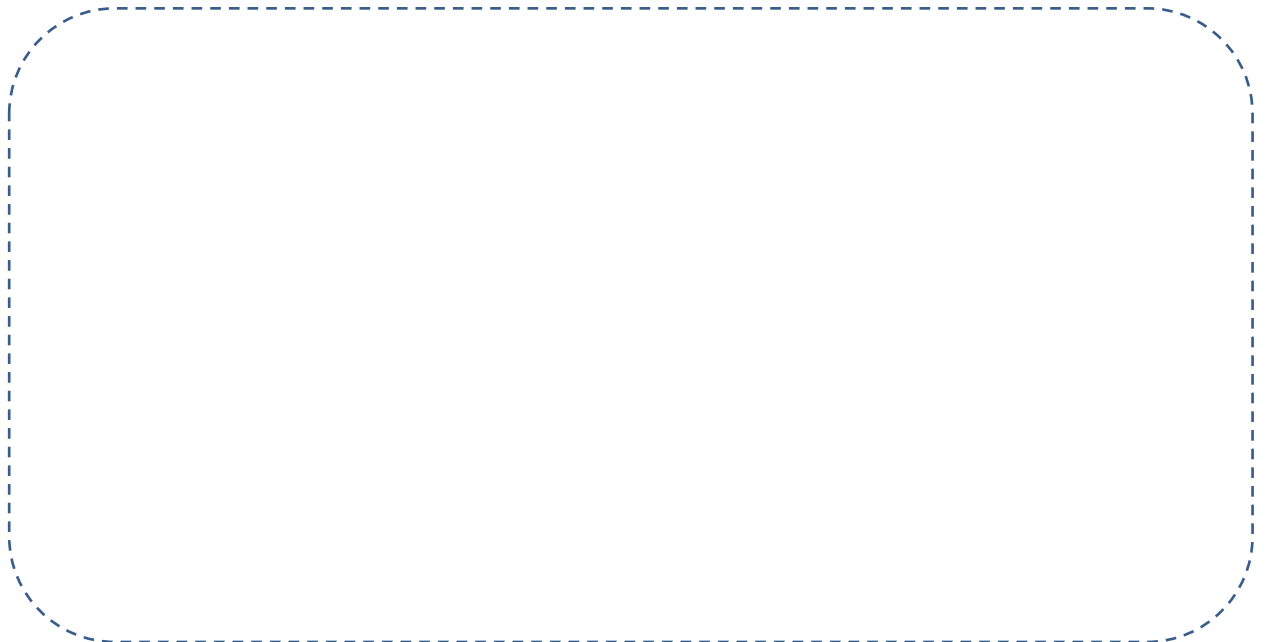




## Recognizes places in your town

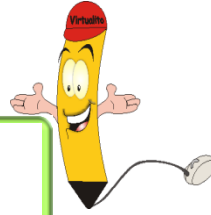


Locate public places in your town that most appeal to you as streets, sidewalks, parking, parking, hospital, malls, shops, offices, churches, parks, entertainment venues, sports venues. Then make a drawing including all of.



The things in each place must receive from us good treatment and care. Thus, more people can use and enjoy them. There are some very nice places to visit, such as museums, libraries, exhibition halls and other cultural sites.





## Activity

1. Write municipality in which you live and which department belongs? Draw a map and tick the item.





## The riches of my town

Among the wealth of the town we find natural resources. Nature offers benefits to survive. For example, nature obtain food, clothing, water, light and a number of items that benefit us and allow us to lead a healthy life.

Nature also offers landscapes, various exotic locations and different climates and temperatures. The wide variety of landscapes gives us pleasant and peaceful rest to enjoy it.

Some are non-renewable resources, because once exploited is very difficult, even impossible, to produce, as the case of oil, gold and other minerals.

There also renewable resources that can be replaced. This process can take a long time. It is best to take care and use resources sparingly.



