DIRECTI O N S: Select a story or other item from the newspaper that presents a problem. It may be something simple and fun such as a comic strip or something more difficult such as an advice column, news story, letter to the editor or other opinion. Based on your reading, answer the following questions:

1. W hat is the problem?

2. W hat are the causes?

3. W hat are the effects?

4. W hat are the solutions?

5. W hat are the obstacles to the solutions?

6. W hat is the most likely outcome?

7. W hat is the preferred solution, in your opinion?

FOLLOW-UP: O ver several weeks, collect stories about a problem and use the outline to summarize what you find out and your thoughts about the outcome.
DIRECTIONS: Write the name of the community you are studying in the center of the circle. Then list the community problems you read about in newspapers outside the lines. On the lines, write about people working to solve the problems and/or ideas that you discover through reading newspapers for solving each problem.

FOLLOW-UP: Write a paper about the community problems and solutions. Include a paragraph about each problem, the people and ideas to solve the problem.