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**Write it:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meanings**

**Examples**

1. a topic or problem that people talk about

*Synonym:* subject

1. Homelessness is a \_\_\_\_\_ **issue** that impacts millions of \_\_\_\_\_ in the United States.



2. a specific edition of a newspaper or magazine

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ **issue** of this magazine has an interesting article about \_\_\_\_\_.



**Forms**

**Family**

- *Singular:* issue
- *Plural:* issues

- *Verb:* issue

**Word Partners**

- discuss an \_\_\_\_\_ In our science class, we **discussed the issue** of global warming.
- important \_\_\_\_\_ Privacy is an **important issue** to consider if you use social networking Web sites.
- serious \_\_\_\_\_ Bullying is a **serious issue** that affects many young people.

**Verbal Practice**

**Talk about It** Read each sentence and think about how you would complete it.

**Discuss** your idea with your partner using the sentence frame.

**Listen** carefully to your partner's and classmates' ideas.

**Write** your favorite idea in the blank.

- ① One **issue** that I often discuss with my friends is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ② \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the most important **issues** in the United States today.
- ③ In the next **issue** of the school newspaper, I'd like to see an article about \_\_\_\_\_.
- ④ I enjoy reading each **issue** of the magazine \_\_\_\_\_ when it comes out.

## Writing Practice

**Collaborate** Work with your partner to complete the sentences using the correct form of **issue** and appropriate content.

- 1 The most serious \_\_\_\_\_ affecting teenagers today is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Today's \_\_\_\_\_ of the newspaper discussed \_\_\_\_\_.

**Your Turn** Work independently to complete the sentences using the correct form of **issue** and appropriate content.

- 1 When people discuss environmental \_\_\_\_\_, they often talk about \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 I would read a magazine \_\_\_\_\_ about \_\_\_\_\_.

**Be an Academic Author** Work independently to write two sentences. In your first sentence, use **issue** in the *plural form* and include a word partner. In your second sentence, use **issue** in the *singular form*.

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**Write an Academic Paragraph** Complete the paragraph using the correct form of **issue** and original content.

When people immigrate to the United States, there are a number of

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 that they encounter. The biggest \_\_\_\_\_ 2 is usually the language difference; it can be very \_\_\_\_\_ 3 not to have the ability to express yourself. Another \_\_\_\_\_ 4 is the climate. For example, when people move from tropical countries, such as \_\_\_\_\_ 5, to northern states, the cold weather can be difficult to tolerate. A final \_\_\_\_\_ 6 is acclimating to cultural differences. Customs or behaviors that are appropriate in one place may be considered \_\_\_\_\_ 7 in another. While these issues may be obstacles at first, most people \_\_\_\_\_ 8 them and thrive in their new country.

### grammar tip

Count nouns name things that can be counted. Count nouns have two forms, singular and plural. To make most count nouns plural, add **-s**.

There are many issues to consider.

She has some questions.