ACTIVITY 5.1: Evaluating My Community

Use the following score card to evaluate your community's strengths and weaknesses. Indicate if you 'Strongly Agree', 'Somewhat Agree', 'Somewhat Disagree' or 'Strongly Disagree' with each statement by putting a checkmark under the appropriate response.

CATEGORY	STRONGLY AGREE	SOMEWHAT AGREE	SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE
I feel a strong sense of belonging in our community.				
I feel that our community is safe.				
We have plenty of parks and green spaces and they are well kept.				
Our community has enough recreation facilities and recreation programs.				
Access to community programs and services is not a problem.				
Our community has increased alternative methods of transportation, including public transit, carpooling or bike lanes.				
Poverty and food security (availability and access to nutritious food) is not a problem in our community.				
Our community does a good job celebrating its history and culture through festivals, museums and galleries.				
Internet connections are fast and reliable in our community.				
Our municipality has an effective tourism campaign, which helps attract many visitors.				
Affordable housing is not a problem in our community.				
I am confident I will find a job that interests me in our community.				
I am planning to stay and work in our community after school.				
I have a great deal of trust in our police.				
I have a great deal of trust in our municipal politicians.				

Calculate your community's score by calculating the totals for each response below.

Strongly Agree Number of responses _____ x 4 _____

Somewhat Agree Number of responses _____ x 3 _____

Somewhat Disagree Number of responses _____ x 2 _____

Strongly Disagree Number of responses _____ x 1 _____

Your community evaluation score (out of 60): _____

Question: What are your community's main **strengths** and **weaknesses**? Identify three of each.