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The Difference Between Traveling and Vacationing

Ramping up to summer, many of us plan on some sort of holiday. For some of us, it's travel. For others, it's vacation. Is there a distinction, and does it matter?

It can. According to studies, the best part of a holiday is planning for it. We are apparently happier as we anticipate our experience of a holiday than we are during the experience itself. However, having a clearer sense of what kind of experience we want can also help us get more enjoyment out of it. Using the distinction between traveling and vacationing is one way to imagine your holiday plans.

Traveling involves going somewhere unfamiliar, often a foreign country, to experience a cultural difference. Traveling provides an opportunity to experience the unknown, to enjoy the differences among people, foods, language, architecture, music and more. Travel also allows us to grow our awareness of our place in the world.

To travel successfully, we have to want to experience *differentness*. We have to want to see new things in a new way. That is our goal in travelling.

Vacationing, by contrast, involves relaxing in a somewhat familiar environment. We typically vacation in places we know. We camp in a nearby wilderness. We visit a city at the other side of our own country, see heritage sites, or head for a resort. Our goal in a vacation is to relax, perhaps have a little physical adventure, like taking a rafting trip or doing a photo jeep tour in the desert.

Just thinking about the difference between travelling and vacationing is a useful way to get more from your summer holiday.



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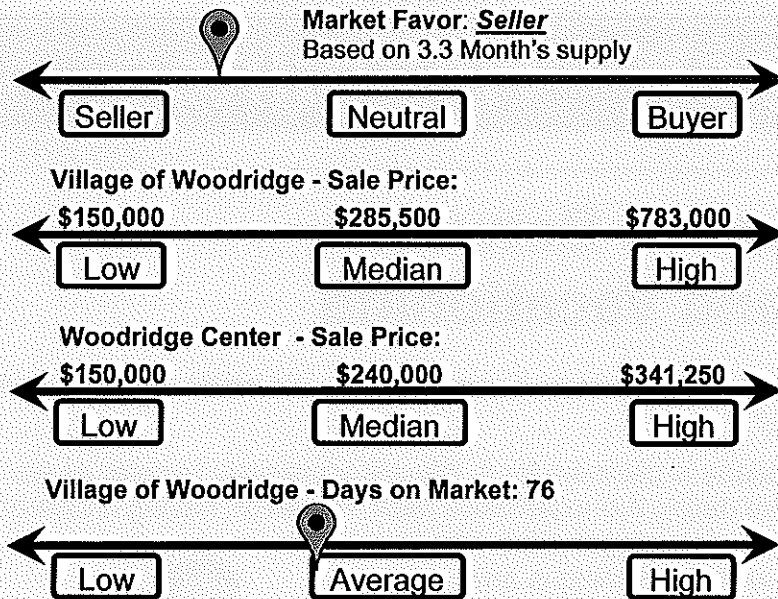
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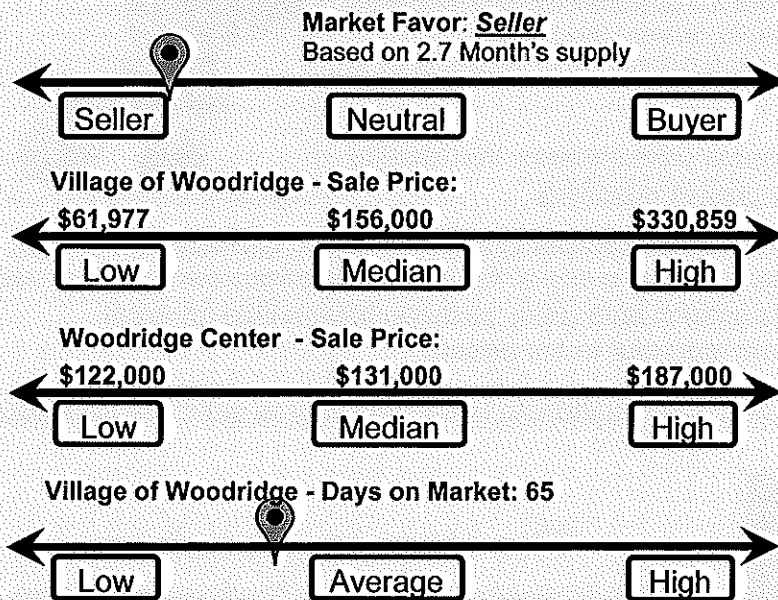
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