



Suburbia

Following the Second World War, Canadians, like Americans, fundamentally changed their living patterns with the creation of a new space: the suburbs (sub-urban living). Waterdown, once a sleepy rural (agriculturally based) village, was transformed into the town we know today in the 21st century.

For many of us, the suburbs were where our grand-parents and/or parents were raised. Looking at the image above, what are some observations you can make about what living in a suburban neighbourhood entail?

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A downtown transformed:

What are the differences between the physical layout of the commercial sections of Waterdown during the 19th century and the 20th century (following the Second World War)? What can you infer from your observations about life in the community?

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