



In pairs, consider the following and take notes:

- What do you think a “megacity” is?
- What are typical features of “megacities” (both positive and negative)?
 - very large city > 10m
 - size
 - buildings (skyscrapers)
 - smog / pollution
 - crowded

Watch the introduction part:

- Were you right in your assumptions?
- Which features of “megacities” does Marr mention and/or show?

Two examples: Tokyo & Mexico City

TOKYO

The bird’s eye view: What is special about Tokyo’s architecture and/or landscape?

- most looks the same
- very tall buildings
- symmetrical build style



What other extraordinary things has Marr found out about Tokyo? Name and describe them.

- mechanical coldness
- rent a friend
- very small flats
- felt lonely



MEXICO CITY

Compare Mexico City to Tokyo. In what ways is it the same, in what ways is it different?

- crime lvl very high
- live is on the street
- streets controlled by gangs

Discuss in pairs:

- If you had to go to work or study in either Mexico City or Tokyo, which would you choose and why?
- What is the biggest city you've ever been to? Why did you go there? What did you think of it?
- What are the main advantages of living in a big city?
- How do you explain the growth of cities?