you can COUNT on art

These two pictures are from the Smithsonian American Art Museum. One is a city scene. One is a country scene. Look closely at both. Are they totally different, or do they have anything in common? A great way to look closely at pictures is to count things.

YOU WRITE THE STORY

Which picture do you like better? Write a description of what is going on in it. Who are the people? How do they know each other? What time of the year is it? A painter gave us the picture. The story is up to you!

In the city scene, how many KIDS do you count? ☐

How many PIGEONS do you count? ☐

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WORD SCRAMBLE

In the country scene, you might find 6 men wearing STHA. ☐☐☐☐

In the city scene, you might find 8 PSTES to climb. ☐☐☐☐☐

In the two pictures, you might count a total of 28 DBSRI. ☐☐☐☐☐

In the country scene, you might find 1 SEHOU with a red OFOR. ☐☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐

In the city scene, you might find 5 red ERWLFSO in a box. ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Local Industries by Natalie Smith Henry, ca. 1940, transfer from the Internal Revenue Service through the General Services Administration

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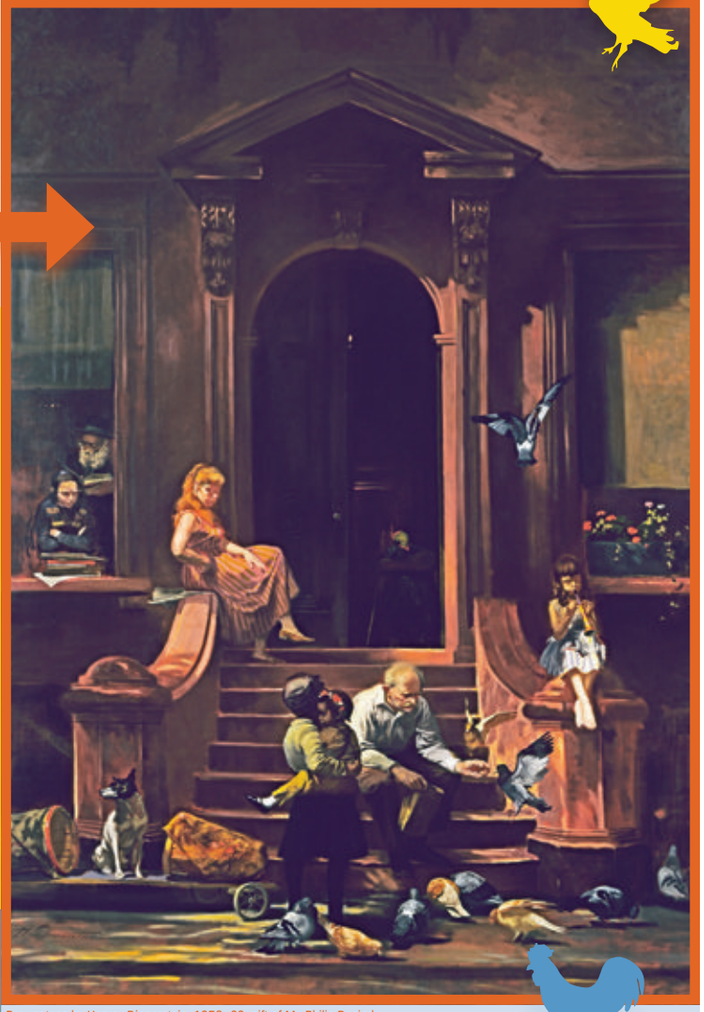

Brownstone by Harvey Dinnerstein, 1958–60, gift of Mr. Philip Desind

In the country scene, how many KIDS do you count? ☐

How many CHICKENS and CHICKS (kids of chickens) do you count? ☐

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Answers: We count 4 kids and 11 pigeons in the city scene, and 2 kids and 17 chickens and chicks in the country scene.
Word Scramble: HATS, STEPS, BIRDS, HOUSE, ROOF, FLOWERS