

We're Moving to New Jersey!

*2 friends having coffee in
New York City*

A: So I have big news!

B: Really what? What's going on?

A: John and I are going to have a kid! And we're moving to New Jersey

B: Wow, that's great that you're pregnant, congrats! But umm- I am not so sure about the Jersey thing. Why would you want to leave the city? Are you crazy?

A: Oh come on, let's be real. We've been in Manhattan for 10 years.

There are too many stressors here- especially if I am going to be a new mother. Life is just too hard- **taking the subway to get everywhere**- how would I do that with a stroller?

B: I don't know- just get a cab. I mean, come on- **don't you want your kid to grow up and understand why diversity is so important?** There is no better place to expose a kid to diversity than New York. Plus, you **have everything at your fingertips** here- great restaurants, good theatre, art galleries, everything.

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A: Yeah but I don't want my child to grow up feeling like **he is just a face in the crowd.** That's how I feel here in the city sometimes and it's a lonely feeling.

B: Well I mean your kid will have his own community, his own friends- so he won't feel like that.

A: **It's just not for us anymore-** we have to think about our family- so John and I have decided it's time to get out.

B; Oh man. **Well to each his own I guess,** but I am going to miss you. Will you promise to come visit at least once a month?

A: Yeah, we'll just be over the bridge- it's not like we're moving across the country.

B: Well Jersey *feels* like another country to me so- anyways let me know if you need any help on moving day- I suppose I can venture out to the 'burbs for an afternoon.

A: I'll let you know- thanks.

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