Building Construction

Researching house values

There is a lot of information that can be gleaned from the internet about your personal residence. This information can be very helpful when buying or selling a house. If you are currently not in a house, think about a house that stands out to you (in the city of St Helens) for this assignment and choose that house instead.

Please follow the steps below:

Click on the link below and navigate to a house that you are interested in doing research on.

[https://www.google.com/maps/@45.8573286,-122.8346118,6228m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en](https://www.google.com/maps/%4045.8573286%2C-122.8346118%2C6228m/data%3D%213m1%211e3?hl=en)

Right click on that house and choose “What’s here?”
This should give you an address. When the property is large, sometimes it will give you a navigational point instead, so you may need to move around a bit to find an address location.

Once you have an address, or if you have chosen your own home address, put it into the following two websites.

<https://www.zillow.com/>

<https://www.redfin.com/>

These websites will give you a list of information about the house include the approximate value, the square footage, the amount and types of rooms, and the property taxes. Please make a list like the example below and do this for the house you chose.

#1. Example Property: 374 S 15th St, St Helens OR

 Zillow Redfin

Value: $220,731 $149,228

Square Footage: 960 sq ft 960 sq ft

Bedrooms/bath: 3 / 1 3 / 1

Property taxes: $1,586 yr $1,586 yr

Next, use the website below and type in “St Helens” into the search box. I want you to then zoom in and find the house that is for sale closest to where you currently live. One you have clicked on that house, take the address and put it into Zillow.

<https://www.johnlscott.com/>

Finally, please answer the following questions:

#2. What is the address of the property for sale closest to your residence?

#3. What is the house listed for sale for? What is the Zillow zestimate price?

#4. Do you think your “neighbor’s” house will sell based off the difference in the two prices?

#5. Why do you think there is a difference in house value estimates between Redfin and Zillow?

(Not graded) If you checked on your own residence, was the rooms/bathrooms information correct? If not, why do you think it wasn’t?