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Most communities have a library, a post office, and a fire department because Ben Franklin organized the first of each.



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