UNIT 1

Vocabulary

Collocations and prepositional phrases

1. Which of these words are adjectives, and which are nouns? Write the words in the box in the correct columns.

festivals lively	friendly pretty	food scenery	tasty
spectacular	villages	inhabitants	

Adjectives	Nouns

2. Complete the gaps in this passage with an adjective and noun pair from Exercise 1.

My home city (Part 1)

What can I tell you about my home city? First of all, I must mention its **1** _____. Everyone smiles and says hello when you meet them. Then there's the **2** _____ which you can get everywhere. It's delicious, and really cheap. Four or five times a year there are **3** _____ _____ where people celebrate important events with street parties and other fun events. And if you get fed up with the city, you can get a bus into the countryside, where there are lots of **4** _____. The hills
and mountains there also provide some really **5** _____.

3.Which of these words are adjectives, and which are nouns? Write the words in the box in the correct columns.

apartments lifestyle	crowded	city
relaxed	streets	industrial tiny

Adjectives	**Nouns**
crowded	apartments

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4. Complete each gap in the passage below with TWO words from Exercise 3.

My home city (Part 2)

It has its bad points as well. It's an **1** _____, which means that there is a lot of pollution, and there are also lots of ugly factories everywhere. Most people live in **2** _____ because houses are too expensive. They work really hard, and they can't afford to enjoy the sort of **3** _____ that many people associate with my country. And it can take ages to walk along the **4** _____ in the city centre because there are so many people and so much traffic.

5. Complete these sentences by choosing the best preposition.

1. My house is *by* / *in* the sea. You walk out of the front door straight onto the beach.

2. I live in a two-room flat *in* / *on* the outskirts of the city.

3. We spent two weeks in a small village *in* / *on* the mountains.

4. Property prices *by* / *in* the city centre are so expensive that only a few people can afford them.

5. The town of Wadi Musa is *near* / *on* the desert. It's only an hour's drive away.

6 I would hate to live *by* / *in* the country. It must be so quiet and boring there.

7 When I was a growing up in the UK, I lived *in* /*on* the suburbs.

8 Our house was right *by* / *near* a river. There was even a place at the end of garden where you could leave your boat

Key vocabulary

6. Complete the passage with words from the box.

conclude	crime	diverse	impact
industrial	influence	lifestyle	locals
ranks	reaction	reputation	surround

The city where I live has a bad **1** _____ because of its high **2** _____ rate. If you believe everything you read in the newspapers, you might **3** _____ that everyone who visits the city has their wallet stolen or gets attacked in the street the moment they arrive. In recent years this has had a negative **4** _____ on the number of tourists who come to the city, since news stories can really **5** _____ people when they are thinking of visiting a place. I won't pretend that my city is the best place in the world. It's noisy and crowded, and ugly **6** _____ estates **7** _____ it on all sides. In fact, it **8** _____ as sixth on a national list of the country's worst places to live, and for most visitors, their first **9** _____ is 'Oh no, what a horrible place!' However, I think this is unfair. There are some attractive old buildings in the city, the **10** _____ population gives the place a colourful, international feel, most of the **11** _____ are friendly and welcoming, and because prices are low, people can afford to enjoy a **12** _____ that is considerably better than in many other cities.

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