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Reading Comprehension

COUNTRY LIFE & CITY LIFE

Many people from rural areas are leaving behind their traditional way of life and moving to the city. They believe that well-paying jobs are plentiful in the city.

At home on the farm, life is always a struggle with nature. Typhoons, floods or droughts can easily destroy a harvest and leave the farmer with little or no money until the following year. Often fanners look for other work when they need more money for their family.

The increase in population, however, has led to overcrowding in many cities. This puts a strain on schools and hospitals, as well as water and electricity supplies. Increased pollution is another unpleasant result.

There is also a human side of this tragedy. Families sometimes have to live apart. In these cases, children may live at home with relatives, while their parents go and live in an urban area.
Governments all over the world are trying to provide facilities for these migrants, but it can be quite a problem.

I. Complete the summary. Use information from the passage.

People from the countryside are ____ their ___ to go and live in the ___. Farming can sometimes be a difficult life and these people from ____ areas feel the ____ offers more opportunities. However, many people coming to the city create _____. There may not be enough ____or_____ while water and electricity supplies may not be edequate. This is a _____ facing governments around the_____.

II. Find the word in the passage that means

a. of the countryside:

b. as many as needed:

c. become greater or larger:

d. a great pressure:

e. a terrible event:

f. of the city or city life:

LIVEWORKSHEETS