



### Task 1. What are the problems for these suggested solutions?

middle of nowhere   slums   graffiti   overcrowded streets   deprived areas   wasteland  
shanty town   traffic jams

1. They should provide good-quality state housing. \_\_\_\_\_
2. They should restrict the number of people living in any one area. \_\_\_\_\_
3. People who destroy public property should be made to do community service. \_\_\_\_\_
4. We need a much better public transport system. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The government should provide immigrants with essential goods. \_\_\_\_\_
6. They should invest in industry and business on the edge of the town. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The victims of flood are forced to survive in very cheaply built houses. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Our country house is far away from any modern amenities. \_\_\_\_\_

### Task 2. Unscramble the words below.

UWNDNOR   rundown

EOMSDIIPVHR   \_\_\_\_\_

EDSERDET   \_\_\_\_\_

DABR   \_\_\_\_\_

IUTORYST   \_\_\_\_\_

TODUPAET   \_\_\_\_\_

AENEMTPV   \_\_\_\_\_

ARNIGKP RTEEM   \_\_\_\_\_

UCTNJION   \_\_\_\_\_

SDEEP UPMB   \_\_\_\_\_





Task 3. Fill in the gaps in the text.

downtown sprawling junctions vibrant pedestrian suburbs bustling  
overcrowded picturesque residential contemporary outskirts

*Cork city* is the major metropolis of the south; indeed, with a population of about 119,500, it is the second largest city in the Republic. The 1) \_\_\_\_\_ of the town lies on the island created by two channels of the 2) \_\_\_\_\_ River Lee, with many of the 3) \_\_\_\_\_ within walking distance of the centre. The buses tend to be 4) \_\_\_\_\_ and the chain of 5) \_\_\_\_\_ is extremely complicated.

In the hilly area of the city is the famous Shandon Steeple, the bell-tower of St Anne's Church. Cork has two markets with. Neither caters specifically for tourists but those who enjoy the 6) \_\_\_\_\_ atmosphere of a real 7) \_\_\_\_\_ market will appreciate their charm. The town has many 8) \_\_\_\_\_ areas and arts facilities. The Crawford Art Gallery is well worth a visit. It regularly puts on exhibitions by 9) \_\_\_\_\_ artists. The fashionable residential districts of Cork city overlook the 10) \_\_\_\_\_ harbour. There are other 11) \_\_\_\_\_ areas on the 12) \_\_\_\_\_.





Task 4. Complete the sentences with the past simple, past perfect or past continuous form of the verb in brackets.

1. I ..... (have) a shower when the postman ..... (arrive).

2. Sandra ..... (drop) her bag while she ..... (run) for the bus.

3. He ..... (read) the letter when he suddenly ..... (start) to laugh.

4. The sun ..... (shine), so we ..... (decide) to have a barbecue.

5. She ..... (hurt) her finger while she ..... (cut) some bread.

6. Pat ..... (live) in Greece when he ..... (meet) Hannah.

4. Jerry ..... (be) delighted because he (pass)..... all his exams.

5. When everyone ..... (eat) a chocolate, she (take) ..... the box away.

6. They ..... (go) out for a pizza after they ..... (finish) the project.

7. I ..... (not know) about the accident because no one..... (tell) me about it.

8. After we ..... (finish) eating, we (decide)..... to go to the shops.

9. By the time they ..... (arrive) at the theatre, the play (start).....

10. He only realised he ..... (lose) his keys when he ..... (get) to his front door.

