

Agree or disagree with the comment: **"A big city is the perfect place to bring up a child"**

Number the paragraphs in the correct order.

A There is no doubt that a big city is not a healthy environment for a child to grow up in. Children in cities are constantly exposed to pollution from cars and factories. As a result, they can develop serious health problems which may stay with them for the rest of their lives.

B On the other hand, there are usually much better educational opportunities and leisure facilities in a big city than in the countryside. For instance, village schools are often not very well-equipped, and children may have to travel a long way to reach the nearest school. Similarly, a village or small town does not offer a wide choice of sports facilities, cinemas and so on.

C Is a big city really a good place to bring up a child? Personally, I feel that it is probably the worst place to raise a child! To me, a child's health and safety are the most important things to consider, and a big city is simply too dangerous for young children.

D What is more, living in a big city can be dangerous for children. Since there are few parks and playgrounds, many children are forced to play in the streets, where they are in danger of getting hurt. There is also a lot of crime and violence, which means that children's lives are at risk.

E In conclusion, I believe that bringing up a child in a big city has far more against it than in its favour. The choice of schools and a wider variety of leisure facilities do not make up for the risks to a child's health and safety.