

Was/were going to

Read about the Bilbao Effect. What is it? Which of the italicized parts are grammatically incorrect? Correct them.

By the 1990s, the city of Bilbao in northern Spain was no longer the industrial centre it once was and the future (1) *was looking* bleak. It was hard to see how new jobs (2) *was going to be* created or what could be done to ensure things (3) *improve*. Local authorities decided to invest over \$1 billion in the hope that a new focus on culture (4) *would attract* visitors. The money (5) *was going to be spent* on transport links, bridges, parks, libraries and the remarkable Guggenheim Museum, designed by Frank Gehry. Once people saw what the building (6) *was looking like*, excitement grew. When it opened, the authorities (7) *were expecting* around 300,000 visitors in the first year, but by the end of that year, it had attracted a million! The impact on the city has been even more dramatic than people hoped it (8) *was*, so it's no wonder other cities are now desperate to copy what has become known as the 'Bilbao Effect'!

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