

UNIT 4. URBANISATION – LOOKING BACK

Pronunciation

Listen and choose the unstressed words in the following sentences by pressing them. Then practise saying the sentences in pairs.

1. There are more than fifty new skyscrapers in the city.
2. People can get around easily by the new metro instead of getting stuck in traffic jams.
3. Many young people go to big cities looking for better job opportunities and higher salaries.
4. There have been a lot of changes in my home town, and most of them have been welcomed by residents.

Vocabulary

Complete the text with the words in the box by dragging and dropping them on the right position.

1. seek	2. expanding	3. housing	4. afford	5. unemployment
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Urbanisation brings a lot of changes. First, people living in rural areas move to cities to (1)_____ better jobs and improve their lives. As a result, urban areas are (2)_____. Second, more high-rise buildings are built to provide (3)_____ for the increasing number of urban residents. However, it is too expensive, so many people cannot (4)_____ to buy their own house. In addition, many people find it hard to find jobs in overcrowded cities, so (5)_____ rates there are rising.

Grammar

Choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

1. This is the best experience I _____ in this city.
A. have had **B.** have **C.** had **D.** will have
2. That is the second house they _____ this year.
A. buy **B.** have bought **C.** bought **D.** had bought
3. The more we use private vehicles, _____ polluted the air becomes.
A. less and less **B.** the less **C.** the more **D.** more and more
4. Life in rural areas is becoming _____ difficult for farmers because of falling prices of vegetables and agricultural products.
A. less and less **B.** fewer and fewer **C.** more and less **D.** more and more