

Moving to Bogotá

My name is Daniel, and I recently decided to move to Bogotá, **a vibrant Colombian city which offers many opportunities for young professionals.** **Although** some people complain about the traffic, I believe the city has many advantages.

Bogotá, which is the capital of Colombia, has several modern neighborhoods that attract people from different parts of the country. I chose **a spacious contemporary apartment that overlooks the mountains.** **Despite** the high cost of living in some areas, I found a comfortable place that suits my budget.

The city has many cultural attractions, which include museums, parks, and theaters. **In spite of** the frequent rain, residents usually enjoy outdoor activities. Bogotá is also famous for its gastronomy and nightlife; **however,** public transportation can sometimes be crowded.

Even though adapting to a new city can be challenging, I am excited about this experience. I believe Bogotá is an **exciting large city with endless** possibilities for people who are willing to explore it.

Grammar Focus

1. Defining Relative Clauses

they give essential information about a noun.

Examples:

- Bogotá has neighborhoods that attract young professionals.

Relative pronouns: who, which, that, where, when.

3. Order of Modifiers

Opinion → Size → Age → Type → Noun

Examples:

- an exciting large city
- a beautiful modern neighborhood
- a comfortable contemporary apartment

4. Connecting Contrasting Ideas

although / even though + clause

Despite / In spite of + noun or -ing

however / nevertheless to contrast two ideas.

2. Non-defining Relative Clauses

They add extra information and are separated by commas.

Examples:

- Bogotá, which is the capital of Colombia, offers many opportunities.

GRAMMAR EXERCISES

A. Complete with **although, despite, in spite of, however, or even though**.

1. _____ Bogotá is expensive, many young people move there.
2. The weather is unpredictable; _____, residents enjoy outdoor activities.
3. _____ the traffic, Daniel enjoys living in the city.
4. Daniel chose Bogotá _____ his parents preferred another city.

B. Choose the correct relative pronoun.

1. Bogotá is a city _____ attracts thousands of tourists every year.
a) who
b) which
c) where
2. The museums, _____ are very popular, receive many visitors.
a) that
b) who
c) which
3. I moved to a neighborhood _____ has excellent restaurants.
a) that
b) where
c) who

C. Put the adjectives in the correct order.

1. exciting / large / city

2. old / charming / neighborhood

3. contemporary / spacious / apartment

D. Error Correction

1. Bogotá, that is the capital of Colombia, attracts many visitors.

2. Despite it was raining, Daniel visited the city center.
