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| **8.** Air pollution from traffic is a major concern, and efforts are being made to reduce _____ in the city. | **(pollutants)** |
| **9.** Living near grocery stores, pharmacies, and restaurants offers great _____ for city dwellers. | **(convenient)** |
| **10.** Some neighborhoods can be _____, especially after dark, so it's essential to stay alert and take precautions. | **(endanger)** |

## C. COMMUNICATION

**Exercise 15: Complete the conversation with the words or phrases in the box.**

*congested roads* *more crowded* *suburbs* *entertainment*
*packed* *concrete* *hang out* *sky train*

**Emily:** I can't stand this city, Alex.
**Alex:** Why not?
**Emily:** It's just a big (1) _____ jungle. There are too many people and it's always so crowded.
**Alex:** Yeah, but that's what makes it exciting! There are so many things to do here. You can go to the (2) _____ centre to watch movies, play games, and have fun with friends.
**Emily:** But the traffic is always terrible. I hate driving on (3) _____.
**Alex:** Well, have you tried taking the (4) _____? It's much faster.
**Emily:** But then it's so (5) _____ with people! I prefer walking even if it takes longer.
**Alex:** You sound like me before I moved here from the (6) _____. Trust me, you'll get used to it.
**Emily:** I guess so, but sometimes it's just too much. The (7) _____ it gets, the more annoyed I feel.
**Alex:** Just remember, we live in a busy city. Of course it's going to be congested at times.
**Emily:** You're right. Thanks for cheering me up, Alex.
**Alex:** You're welcome, Emily. Whenever you feel overwhelmed by the city, just remember we can always (8) _____ with our friends and relax.

**Exercise 16: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.**

**1.** **Ann:** "Alex, do you feel safe walking around at night?"
**Alex:** "Generally, yes. _____."
A. I haven't experienced it much.
B. It's too noisy for me.
C. But it's always good to be cautious.
D. I prefer staying at home.

2. Ann: "_____"
Alex: "There are plenty of opportunities, but competition is fierce."
A. What do you think about job prospects?
B. Can I pay by credit card?
C. What do you have?
D. You're welcome.

3. Ann: "Would you ever move to the countryside?"
Alex: "_____, but for now, I'm a city person."
A. It's too heavy.
B. Maybe someday.
C. Thanks a lot, indeed.
D. Welcome back.

4. Ann: "Alex, the traffic in this city is unbearable!"


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Alex: "I know, Ann. _____."

A. You are Welcome. B. I think it's quite hard to do that.

C. You are excellent. D. It takes forever to get anywhere.

5. Ann: "_____?"

Alex: "Yes, the subway is convenient, but it gets crowded."

A. Do you mind if I sit here? B. Do you use public transport?

C. It's a bit hot in here, isn't it? D. Would you like a cup of coffee?

6. Ann: "I enjoy spending time in the city parks."

Alex: "_____They're a nice escape from the hustle and bustle."

A. No problem. B. It's on the wall.

C. I'm glad you like it. D. Me too!

7. Ann: "Any good restaurant suggestions?"

Alex: "Definitely! _____."

A. Let's try that new sushi place. B. Just round the corner over there.

C. Look it up in a dictionary! D. There's no traffic near here.

8. Ann: "_____"

Alex: "I love it! There are so many clubs and bars."

A. Would you like to have dinner with me?"

B. Do you feel like going to the cinema this afternoon?

C. What do you think of the nightlife here?

D. What can I do for you?

9. Ann: "The air quality here isn't great, is it?"

Alex: "_____. We need more green spaces."

A. Not really. B. No way! It's useful.

C. I'm of the opposite opinion. D. No, it's not.

10. Ann: "The noise level drives me crazy sometimes."

Alex: "_____. Earplugs are my best friends."

A. I don't agree. B. Absolutely. C. I doubt it. D. Not at all.

**Exercise 17: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to arrange the following sentences into a meaningful conversation.**

1. **a. Ally:** Me too! Though sometimes I wish it was a bit quieter.

**b. Brian:** Absolutely! I love how everything is so convenient, and there are so many cultural events.

c. Ally: City life can be really exciting, can't it? There's always something new to do.

A. a-b-c B. c-a-b C. b-c-a D. c-b-a

2. a. Brian: I agree! And the public transport system has improved so much, making it easier to get around.

b. Ally: These new public parks are fantastic, aren't they? It's great to have green spaces downtown.

c. Ally: Definitely. Good public amenities really make a city more livable.

A. a-b-c B. b-a-c C. c-a-b D. b-c-a

3. a. Brian: Not yet, but I've heard great things about it! People say it's really fast.

b. Ally: You definitely should. It's a game-changer for getting around the city.

c. Ally: Have you had a chance to try the new sky train yet?



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d. Ally: It is! I used it yesterday, and it cut my commute time in half.
e. Brian: That's amazing. I'm looking forward to giving it a try soon.
A. c-a-d-e-b B. a-c-d-e-b C. c-d-a-e-b D. c-a-e-d-b

## D. READING

**Exercise 18: Read the following advertisement/ announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.**

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**Welcome to the annual Riverfront Night Market!**

This vibrant event showcases (1)_____ best of our city's riverside charm. Join us along the riverbank for an evening filled with (2)_____ street food, unique crafts, and live music. Explore stalls offering handmade goods, enjoy (3)_____ views, and immerse yourself (4)_____ the lively atmosphere.

Riverfront Night Market - A feast for the senses!

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| **1.** A. no article | B. an | C. the | D. a |
| 2. A. unreliable | B. peaceful | C. beautiful | D. delicious |
| 3. A. stunned | B. stun | C. stunning | D. to stun |
| 4. A. in | B. on | C. at | D. with |

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**Uncover the Magic of the City with Our Walking Tours!**

Our guided walking tours offer a unique and intimate way to experience (1)_____ heart of our city. Wander through (2)_____ neighborhoods, discover charming cafes, and admire stunning architecture. Learn about the (3)_____ stories and legends that shape our city's identity. Tours are available daily and can be booked online or (4)_____ our visitor center.

Walking Tours - Your Path to Urban Discovery!

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| **1.** A. no article | B. a | C. the | D. an |
| 2. A. convenient | B. historic | C. polluted | D. dangerous |
| 3. A. fascinated | B. fascinating | C. fascinatingly | D. fascinate |
| 4. A. in | B. to | C. at | D. for |

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**Calling all Cyclists!**

Join us for the City Bike Ride this November! Riders of all ages and abilities are welcome to participate (1)_____ this fun event that celebrates (2)_____ living and explores the city's (3)_____ routes. The bike ride will wind through parks, along rivers, and past charming neighborhoods. Register online or at (4)_____ event starting point. Let's ride together!

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| **1.** A. in | B. for | C. about | D. on |
| 2. A. healthily | B. healthy | C. health | D. unhealthy |
| 3. A. terrible | B. attractive | C. unsafe | D. scenic |
| 4. A. a | B. an | C. no article | D. the |

**Exercise 19: Look at the sign or the notice. Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) for these questions.**



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