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Newquay: A Great Place to Visit!

I live (1) _____ Newquay. It's a small town on the Atlantic coast in the south of England. It has got great beaches and it is the best place to surf in the UK. There are lots of surf schools where you can learn (2) _____ to surf. I go surfing with my friends every weekend. My favourite place is Fistral Beach.

I love Newquay because there are lots of other things to (3) _____ as well as surfing. If you like water sports, you can go kayaking or water-skiing. If you (4) _____ animals, you can visit the Blue Reef Aquarium and see lots of different fish and even sharks. You can also go horse riding on the beach or visit Newquay Zoo. There are lots of other attractions (5) _____ like mini golf and bowling. Come and see for (6) _____!

1.	A. on	B. in	C. at	D. by
2.	A. what	B. which	C. how	D. where
3.	A. make	B. play	C. do	D. have
4.	A. enjoy	B. like	C. want	D. prefer
5.	A. also	B. too	C. very	D. much
6.	A. you	B. yourself	C. them	D. ourselves

Exercise 13: Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

❶ If you are the type of person who loves to meet many different people from different cultures and social status, then the city is better for you. The city is where people from all different background and status come to work and live because everything so centralized in the city. The city's population is also more concentrated, so you also have a higher chance of meeting people. In the country, the distance between other people is harder, so it is less convenient to meet other people. Hence, if you want a busy social life, the city is better.

If you have asthma or you are really sensitive to population, then the country lifestyle is best for you. In the country there is much less population because there are fewer cars, traffic and industrial **plants** in the country. There are also more trees, rivers and other natural scenery. If you want your kids to run around in open safe environments, then the country is also much better.

1. You should live in the city if _____.
   A. you have asthma
   B. you have problems with breathing diseases
   C. you want to meet people from different social status
   D. you want your children to run around in open environments
2. The country life is better for you if _____.
   A. you love to meet people from different cultures
   B. you want a busy social life
   C. you would like to work for international companies
   D. you are really sensitive to pollution
3. There is much less pollution in the country than in the city because
   A. everything is so centralized in the city
   B. there are not as many cars in the country as in the city
   C. the distance between other people is harder
   D. there are much more trees in the city
4. The word "**plants**" in the passage means
   A. factories B. trees C. buildings D. restaurants
5. Which of the following statements is NOT true?
   A. The population in the city is concentrated.
   B. You have higher opportunities of meeting people in the city.
   C. There is more traffic in the country than in the city.
   D. The environment in the country is safer than in the city.

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NOISY NEIGHBOURS

Do you sometimes have problems with your neighbours such as noise or littering? Well, the people of Pilton in Somerset, England have such problems every summer, for three or four days every year, the village is full of people of all ages who comes here for the annual Glastonbury pop music festival. They

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usually stay in tents. Caravans and motorhomes. They leave drink cans and papers all over the streets. The music plays until the early hours of the morning, and you can hear people talking and singing all night, the quiet country village becomes a nightmare to live in and some villagers are even thinking of moving to another village. A villager said last year « I don't want to stop the Glastonbury Festival. I just want the fans to enjoy the festival during disturbing normal village life. »

1. What happened in Pilton, Somerset every summer?
   A. The villagers litter the streets.
   B. There is a pop music festival
   C. There are many villagers.
   D. The neighbours are noisy
2. Visitors litter the streets with_____.
   A. cans and papers
   B. caravans
   C. motorhomes
   D. tents
3. How long is the pop music festival every year?
   A. The whole summer
   B. One night
   C. Three or four days
   D. The whole year
4. What is Pilton like during the rest of the year?
   A. noisy place
   B. A quiet village
   C. A nightmare
   D. A music concert
5. The villagers just want to_____.
   A. put an end to the festival
   B. stop the fans enjoying the festival
   C. move far away
   D. have a normal life as usual

❷ London is the capital city of the United Kingdom. There are a lot of cars in the city. People go everywhere by car, so traffic in the city centre is heavier than that in the suburbs. It is harder to find a place to park a car than to do it in other areas. The public means of transport is cheaper than cars but the Londoners prefer their own cars. Moreover, there are more and more tourists and visitors coming to London for sightseeing or shopping. At weekends, the streets are noisier and busier than they are on weekdays. Now, traffic jams are worse than ever before.

Although the living cost in the suburbs and the countryside is cheaper than that in the city centre, most young people prefer living in the city centre. London is richer than other cities in the United Kingdom, but it is more polluted because of the city industry, vehicles, and plenty of people.

1. How is the traffic in London?
   A. Traffic in the city centre is better than before.
   B. Traffic in the suburbs is better than before.
   C. Traffic in the city centre is heavier than that in the suburbs.
   D. Traffic in the suburbs is heavier than that in the city centre.
2. People in London prefer to go around _____.
   A. by their own cars
   B. by public means of transport
   C. by both their own cars and public means of transport
   D. by any vehicles
3. How are the streets in London at weekends?
   A. There is less traffic.
   B. The streets are noisier.
   C. Traffic jams are better.
   D. The traffic is not heavier.
4. The living cost in the city centre is _____.
   A. cheaper than that in the suburbs and the countryside
   B. not expensive but people like to live in the suburbs and the countryside
   C. not cheap so more people want to leave there now
   D. more expensive than that in the suburbs and the countryside
5. According to the passage, what is NOT true about London?
   A. London's public means of transport is more expensive than cars.
   B. There are a lot of people in the city centre, especially at weekends.
   C. More and more people come to London for sightseeing.
   D. London is richer than other cities in the United Kingdom.

Exercise 14: Four phrases/sentences have been removed from the text below. Choose the correct answer to complete the text. Write only the letter A-D in each blank.

❶ I live in the countryside. There are some things I like about my neighborhood. There are a lot of green trees and large, beautiful parks in my neighborhood, (1) _____. It's wonderful/great for outdoor activities. It's very convenient here because there are a lot of shops, shopping centers, restaurants, and markets. (2) _____. The food is very cheap and delicious. (3) _____. However, there are two things I

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dislike about it. There are many modern, big houses; (4) _____. Anyway, I like living in my neighborhood because it's very clean and convenient.

A. so the air is very fresh

B. It's better than in other places

C. the streets are busy and crowded

D. The people here are friendly and hospitable

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Although the living cost in the suburbs and the countryside is cheaper than that in the city centre, (3) _____London is richer than other cities in the United Kingdom, (4) _____

A. but it is more polluted because of the city Industry, vehicles, and plenty of people.

B. Now, traffic jams are worse than ever before.

C. It is harder to find a place to park a car than to do it in other areas.

D. most young people prefer living in the city centre.

- **WRITING**

Exercise 15: Rearrange the words and phrases to make meaningful sentences.

1. the food / friendlier, / here / are / The people / better than/ other places/ in / and / is /.

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2. two things / my neighbourhood / However, / dislike / I / there are / about /.

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3. like / many things / about / neighbourhood / There are/ I / my/.

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4. in Ha Noi/ less delicious / The seafood / more expensive / is / that in Nha Trang/ and / than /.

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5. busy and crowded, / / and / The streets / quite polluted / are / is /.

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6. Da Nang / noisier / The streets / than those in Hue / are / crowded / in / and / more /.

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7. going/ going/ by/ by/ car/ bicycle/ than/ is/ faster

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8. street/ there/ is/ post office/ at/ corner/ a/ the/ of/ the

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9. this/ we/ shall/ what/ do/ Saturday evening?

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10. in/ is/ suburbs/ Da Nang City/ my neighbourhood/ the/ of

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11. me/ you/ can/ the/ to/ tell/ way/ Ben Thanh Market?

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12. The / very / friendly / are / here / and / helpful / people /.

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13. dinner? / we/ go/ shall/ to/ the/ after/ cinema

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14. is/ Ho Chi Minh City/ busy and crowded/ for/ too/ me

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15. It's / because / big supermarket / very convenient / there is a / near my house /.

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