

**1 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.**

congested	run down	spotless
sprawling	vibrant	well-run

- 1 At rush hour in Bangkok, thousands of motorcycles hit the streets. The centre's really .....
- 2 There was no rubbish anywhere in the city centre. It was completely .....
- 3 Istanbul is a big, ..... city. It seems to go on for miles and miles.
- 4 The area is very ....., with many buildings in poor condition or completely derelict.
- 5 We have a very ..... bus service. Over 95% of all buses arrive on time.
- 6 Reykjavik's nightlife is really ....., with lots of great bars and nightclubs.

**2 Match the descriptions (1–8) with the words and phrases (a–h).**

- 1 The atmosphere is awful! I sometimes feel like I'm choking!
- 2 Pick that up! Do you want to get a fine?
- 3 They come on time, and everything runs really smoothly.
- 4 The crime rate's quite high, so I worry about being attacked if I'm out after dark.
- 5 She's always got to have the last word in fashion – the latest shoes, watch, smartphone ... You name it.
- 6 Most of the buildings in the area are condemned, and there are plans to redevelop it.
- 7 We were just crawling along for two hours! So I was late for my meeting.
- 8 There are new bars and restaurants springing up in the area. It's really livened up.

- a muggings and shootings
- b slum
- c network of buses and trams
- d traffic
- e smog and fumes
- f buzz
- g dropping litter
- h conspicuous consumption