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

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