

Consolidation A1 Student's name: _____

A. Choose the correct heading for each paragraph.

EXTREME LIVING

Welcome to the **coldest**, **highest**, and **hottest** places in the world!

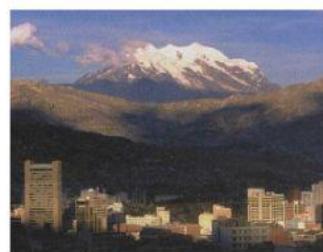
How do people live in Mali, West Africa, where the temperature is often 50°? John Baxter, a BBC journalist in Mali, says, 'People get up very early and they don't move very much in the afternoon. Surprisingly, they wear a lot of clothes (usually cotton) as this helps them not to get dehydrated. Houses are very hot and don't have air conditioning - **the best** place to sleep is on the roof!'

La Paz in Bolivia is 4,090 metres above sea level. It can be difficult to breathe because there isn't much oxygen. Liz Tremlett, a travel agent who lives there, says, 'When people arrive at El Alto airport we sometimes need to give them oxygen.' It is also **the worst** place to be if you drink too much beer. The next day you feel terrible because you get more dehydrated. But La Paz is a very good place to play golf. At this altitude, when you hit a golf ball it goes further!

Can you imagine living in a place which is four times colder than your freezer? This is Yakutia in Siberia, where in winter it is often - 50° or lower. Valeria Usimenko, a housewife, says, 'After a few minutes outside your nose fills with ice. It snows a lot and there is always a lot of ice and snow on top of the houses. The **most dangerous** time is the spring-when the ice falls it can kill people! The winter is very boring because we can't go out much. A lot of babies are born here in the autumn!'

B. Read the article again and choose Mali, Yakutia or La Paz

- 1 Where do people wear a lot of cotton clothes? _____
- 2 Where is a good place to play golf? _____
- 3 Where do people sleep on the roof? _____
- 4 Where can you have a problem with your nose? _____
- 5 Where do you need to be careful in spring? _____
- 6 Where is a bad place to drink a lot of alcohol? _____



C. Complete the chart with the superlative adjectives from the article.

| adjective | comparative | superlative |
|-----------|----------------|-------------|
| cold | colder | |
| high | higher | |
| hot | hotter | |
| dangerous | more dangerous | |
| good | better | |
| bad | worse | |

Use **the** + superlative adjectives to say which is (**the biggest**, **the fastest**, **the best**, etc.) in a group.