

1. Match the words with their synonyms:

1. bustling	a inspecting
2. congested	b skyscraper
3. amenities	c busy, noisy
4. picturesque	d overcrowded
5. peaceful	e shared, collective
6. energy-efficient	f repaired
7. renovated	g facilities
8. communal	h economical
9. high-rise	i charming
10. viewing	j quiet

2. Match the words with their definitions:

Mortgage, utility bill, borrow, estate agency, lend, remote, urban, self-contained, sprawling, maintenance

1. a loan of money which you get from a bank or building society in order to buy a house

2. take and use (money) from a person or bank under an agreement to pay it back later

3. allow (a person or organization) the use of a sum of money under an agreement to pay it back later, typically with interest

4. situated far from the main centres of population; distant

5. spread out over a large area in an untidy or irregular way

6. having all its own facilities, so that a person living there does not have to share rooms such as a kitchen or bathroom with other people

7. relating to a town or city

8. the process of keeping something in good condition

9. a company or business that sells and rents out buildings and land for clients

10. a written statement showing electricity costs, water charges etc.

3. Complete the sentences:

Tenant, compost, furnished, estate agency, energy-efficient, rural, flatmate, renting, vacate, hall of residence, residential

1. To make your home more _____ you should use light bulbs.

2. I used to share a house with a _____, but a week ago he moved to a university _____.
3. Is it important to sign an agreement between a _____ and a landlord or landlady?
4. Ancient folk traditions are very much alive in _____ areas.
5. The road goes through a heavily populated _____ area.
6. I'm not sure it's possible to _____ this type of kitchen waste.
7. What are the advantages and disadvantages of _____ a home compared to buying one?
8. He entered a small but very nicely _____ room.
9. You and your friends have to _____ this apartment by the end of the day.
10. I work for a/an _____, but I'd like to change my job.

4. Put the verbs in brackets into the *past perfect* or the *past perfect continuous*.

- 1 Liam ... _____ (try) to book his ticket online for half an hour before Jason showed him how to do it.
- 2 Mario was upset because his sister _____ (talk) on the phone for two hours and wouldn't let him use it.
- 3 They got a great deal on their hotel room because they _____ (book) it months in advance.
- 4 They cancelled the sightseeing tour because it _____ (rain) for three hours and the streets were starting to flood.
- 5 Tina _____ (never/travel) by plane before and she was rather nervous.
- 6 Nathan _____ (wait) for road assistance for two hours before they finally got there.

5. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

1. It is already 9:30 PM and I _____ (wait) here for over an hour.
2. I was really angry at John yesterday. By the time he finally arrived, I _____ (wait) for over an hour.
3. Did you hear that Ben was fired last month? He _____ (work) for that import _____ company for more than ten years and he _____ (work) in almost every department.

4. I _____ (see) many pictures of the pyramids before I went to Egypt.

5. Sarah _____ (climb) the Matterhorn, _____ (sail) around the world, and _____ (go) on safari in Kenya. She is such an adventurous person.

6. Sarah _____ (climb) the Matterhorn, _____ (sail) around the world and _____ (go) on safari in Kenya by the time she turned twenty-five.

7. When Melanie came into the office yesterday, her eyes were red and watery. I think she _____ (cry).