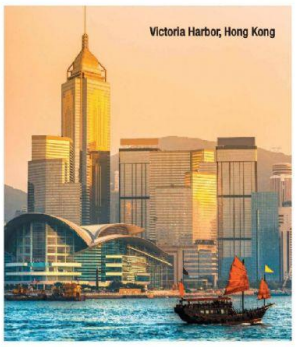
CITY LIVING

What are the pros and cons of living in different cities around the world? Today we focus on Lima and Hong Kong.

When people think of Peru, they imagine rain forests, mountains, and Machu Picchu. These things are not in Lima, but this city is still a nice place to live and visit for several reasons. For one thing, many other cities in Latin America have hot, humid weather in the summers. But Lima doesn't. It has pleasant[1] weather all year (15° C / 59° F to 27° C / 81° F). Many of the city's older neighborhoods are beautiful and have small hotels, museums, clubs, and cafes. The Historic Center has some of the world's best colonial architecture.

If you want to spend some time outside the city, it is easy to visit beaches, rain forests, and mountains near Lima. The city also has a lot of public transportation, but there's heavy traffic in the city center, especially during rush hour. Be careful walking or driving there!





Hong Kong—once a small fishing village— is an international business center and an interesting mix of East and West, old and new. Modern buildings are next to small temples. Popular nightclubs are close to traditional teahouses. Busy crowds fill the streets at all hours of the day, but outside the city, there are parks for walking or relaxing. Hong Kong is also famous for its delicious street food and its many excellent restaurants with food from all over Asia, Europe, and the Americas.

There are many great things about Hong Kong, but there are some problems, too. Housing isn't cheap. With a population of over seven million, it is one of the world's most expensive cities to live in. Also, the pollution in Hong Kong is not bad, but in the summer and winter, the air is sometimes polluted.

Read for details. Work with a partner.

Student A: Read about Lima.

Student B: Read about Hong Kong.

What does the reading say about your city? Complete the chart. Write *NG* if the information is not given.

	Lima	Hong Kong
weather		
public transportation		
traffic		
food		
neighborhoods		
pollution		
housing		
things to do outside the city		

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