

A Complete the sentences with words from the box.

crowded million neighborhood pedestrians population traffic transportation vehicles

1. A common problem with living in a city is the _____. It usually takes people a long time to get to work because there are so many cars on the roads.
2. The _____ of Germany has increased because many people from other countries have decided to move there.
3. Good public _____ really helps people get around, especially if they don't have their own car.
4. I've lived in this _____ all my life. It's safe, and the people are friendly.
5. There are more than 20 _____ people living in the Mexico City area.
6. Nowadays, there are more _____ on the roads. One reason is that more people own cars now.
7. It was really _____ on the bus this morning. There were so many people that I couldn't get a seat.
8. Wide sidewalks and special areas for crossing the road help keep _____ safe when they are walking around a city.

B Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first. Use the word in parentheses and 1–4 other words.

1. My apartment building is not quiet. (noisy) My apartment building _____
2. There are a lot of people downtown today. (crowded) It _____ today.
3. The city has too many cars on the roads. (vehicles) There _____ in the city.
4. The area where I live is really nice. (neighborhood) I like _____
5. People need cities with green spaces. (design) It's important to _____

C Circle the correct word.

There are many ideas about what cities will be like in the (1) *future / past*. Some people believe cities in the future will (2) *having / have* more green spaces, like parks, and that there will be more places for pedestrians to (3) *walk / drive*. Many people hope cities will (4) *using / use* more green energy in the future and that there (5) *won't / aren't* be so many cars. It's possible that there will (6) *be / are* more electric cars. Many people think there will be more public (7) *traffic / transportation* in the future and that vehicles won't (8) *needed / need* drivers. What do you think future cities will be like?

D In your notebook, use some of the ideas in the box to write five predictions about what your city will be like in the future. Use *will*.

better public transportation better roads more green spaces more / less traffic
 more tall buildings population increase safer neighborhoods