Complete the text with the words below.

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Thanks to some films and TV shows, and certain types of music, many people still regard big cities in the USA as violent and crime-filled. However, recent reports show that they're [1]_____ near as dangerous as some people believe. Statistics for violent crime are nothing [2]_____ as bad as they were in the 1990s; the chance of being robbed or murdered is much lower [3]_____ in the 1990s when those crimes were far [4]_____ common than they are today. There are also slightly [5]_____ property crimes than forty years ago, with a drop of 2.8% being reported by some sources. Many inner-city areas once considered 'no-go' zones are [6]_____ more pleasant than they used to be, and cities generally are just as safe [7]_____ anywhere else in the world. The problem, of course, is that the more the media focuses on the few serious crimes, [8]_____ more afraid people become.



Choose the correct words to complete the dialogue. Sometimes both answers are correct.

Girl Tell me about your best friend at school.

Mum There was a girl called Jo. She [1]**lived / would live** across the road from me and we [2]**were / used to be** best friends for about five years.

Girl [3]**Did you use to go / Would you go** to the same school?

Mum Yes, but she was a year younger than me, so we [4]**didn't use to hang out / wouldn't hang out** together at school. But we [5]**used to see / would see** each other every weekend.

Girl What [6]**did you use to do / would you do**?

Mum Oh, the usual things like listening to music. But when Eurovision was on, we [7]**used to watch / would watch** the show together. That's what I remember most about her.

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