

Complete the essay with any **linking words** which are suitable in each gap.

Some people say city life is bad for young people. What's your opinion?

Many people believe cities are bad places for young people to grow up.

_____ , I think they can be an excellent environment for teenagers.

Cities usually have more air pollution than the countryside, _____

all the traffic. It's true that this is not very good for young people,

_____ the air quality in many cities is improving, and it's usually

possible to avoid walking in the places with the dirtiest air.

_____ , it's good for young people to have interesting lives, and life

is much more interesting in a city _____ the wider choice of

entertainment. I'm really into music, _____ going to concerts is

really important to me. _____ I wouldn't be able to do this easily if I

lived in the countryside, I would find life there very boring.

Another advantage for teenagers in cities is that they're more likely to live

near their friends. _____ , they can get together more easily at

weekends and build stronger friendships.

_____ , I don't believe that city life is bad for young people. For most

teenagers, cities are very good places to live.