



# TOP CITIES!

Read the text and answer these questions below:

## Important Cities in the world: An Overlook.

### Camille: Paris, France

Paris is the capital of France. The population of Paris is about 2.1 million people. The thing I like about Paris is the beautiful Eiffel Tower. In summer, the weather is warm, and people enjoy having picnics by the Seine River. In winter, Paris is magical with holiday lights and decorations. There is a large variety of museums, like the Louvre, and cafes to enjoy delicious food. It is a nice and safe place to visit. At night, you can enjoy getting a boat ride on the Seine or watching a show at the Moulin Rouge.

### Jules: New York, USA

New York is a big city in the USA with a population of about 8.5 million people. Tourists are everywhere, especially in Times Square. I like the energy and excitement of New York, but I hate the noise and crowded streets. There are many small apartments, but some neighborhoods are very safe. The people here are friendly and helpful. At night, you can go to Broadway to enjoy a show or visit a rooftop bar to see the city lights.

### Gianni: Milan, Italy

Milan is a beautiful city in Italy with a population of about 1.4 million people. The people in the city are very nice. There are many things to do, like shopping in fashion stores or visiting the famous cathedral, Duomo di Milano. Tourists often do not speak Italian, but they love the city. Outdoor activities include walking in the parks and visiting nearby lakes. There are places to enjoy nature, like Parco Sempione. Milan is a safe place to live with your family. I like the fashion and food, but sometimes it feels too busy. At night, you can enjoy a nice dinner or go to a club.

• *Who says... the apartments in their city are small?*

• *Who says... the holiday season in their city is magical?*

• *Who says... tourists visiting their city do not speak the local language?*

Complete using the information from the text:

• *Things to do in Paris:*

• *Things to do in New York:*

• *Things to do in Milan:*



# **LISTENING!**

Let's listen to John talking about his hometown and the things in there.

**Answer the quiz below using the information from the audio:**

- *Has John's hometown got a large population number?*
- *Are there very many businesses in John's town?*
- *Is there a shopping mall in the town?*
- *Are there many grocery stores are there in John's town?*
- *Are there movie theatres in the town?*
- *How many screens has the movie theatre got?*
- *Is there much nightlife in John's town?*
- *What is one fun activity to do at night in John's town?*
- *How many restaurants are there in the town?*
- *What outdoor activities can you do during the daytime in John's town?*
- *Is there a river in the town?*
- *How many schools are there in John's town?*
- *Are there any mountains in John's town?*

# PRONUNCIATION!

Let's pay attention to the following words! What vowel do they have in common?

**TOWN**    **ONLY**    **SHOPPING**    **STORES**    **MOVIES**    **GO BOWLING**

**ONE**    **BOTH**    **COURT**    **GOLF**    **SOUTH**    **SCHOOL**    **WOW**

We can start classifying the sounds using the phonetics symbols, but there is another simple classification:

**/ah/**

To produce this version of the O sound, open your mouth and say /ah/, like when you go to the doctor's.

*This is **one** of the best **golf** courts\* in **town**.*

The word **court** takes a long O sound.

/kɔ:rt/

**/uh/**

To produce this version of the O sound, do not open your mouth much and make a short sound.

***Tourists do not** speak italian but they **love** the city.*

The word **speak** takes a long /i:/ sound so, we pronounce it more!

**/o/**

Finally, we produce the diphthong of the O sound, like when we say the letter in the alphabet!

*I **only go bowling** with **both** of my friends in **Rome**.*

The word *of* takes a short sound like when we say /uh/

Make sentences about your city with the following words:

**SOUTH:**

**STORES:**

**ONLY:**

**SCHOOLS:**