

TA12. U4. Vocabulary

1. afford (v)	5. expand (v)	9. proportion (n)	13. rush hour
2. colonial (adj)	6. gradually (adv)	10. rapidly (v)	14. seek (v)
3. concern (n)	7. housing (n)	11. reliable (adj)	15. unemployment (n)
4. decrease (v)	8. leisure (n)	12. resident (n)	16. urban (adj)

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences using the correct word from the list. You may need to change the form of the word.

- Many young people cannot _____ to buy their own house due to rising property prices.
- During the _____ era, many countries were controlled by foreign powers.
- The increasing pollution in the river is a major _____ for environmentalists.
- The government is taking steps to _____ the rate of poverty in rural areas.
- The company plans to _____ its operations to other countries next year.
- The economy recovered _____ after the pandemic.
- Affordable _____ is a key issue in many major cities around the world.
- People spend more time on _____ activities during weekends and holidays.
- A significant _____ of the population prefers living in the countryside.
- Technology has been developing _____ in the past few decades.

Exercise 2: Choose the most suitable word to complete each sentence.

- The new metro system is very _____ and always arrives on time.
a) rapid
b) reliable
c) colonial
- Many _____ areas are struggling with traffic congestion and pollution.
a) urban
b) rural
c) proportion
- Local authorities are working to provide more affordable _____ for low-income families.
a) residents
b) housing
c) leisure
- The _____ of young people without jobs is increasing in some parts of the world.
a) unemployment
b) seek
c) concern
- People are often advised to _____ help if they are struggling with mental health.
a) expand
b) seek
c) afford
- The train station is always crowded during _____ because many people are traveling to or from work.
a) leisure
b) rush hour
c) unemployment
- The _____ of middle-aged workers in the company is growing due to retirements.
a) decrease
b) proportion
c) resident
- Factories built during the _____ period still exist in some cities.
a) colonial
b) gradually
c) urban
- The company is trying to _____ its market share by launching new products.
a) concern

- b) expand
c) rapidly
10. The changes in the environment have occurred _____ over the past few decades.
a) rapidly
b) gradually
c) reliable

Exercise 3: Rewrite the following sentences using the provided word in parentheses.

1. People cannot buy expensive houses because they earn very little. (afford)
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2. The city government is building apartments for people who do not have homes. (housing)
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3. This issue about pollution is becoming more serious. (concern)
→
4. The population of the town is getting smaller every year. (decrease)
→
5. The company has plans to grow its business to other markets. (expand)
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6. Traffic moves more slowly in the morning, but it gets better over time. (gradually)
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7. Residents in the area are requesting better public transport options. (resident)
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8. This device is dependable and works perfectly even after years. (reliable)
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9. Many people look for jobs after finishing their studies. (seek)
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10. The economic crisis has caused more people to lose their jobs. (unemployment)
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