

Vocabulary

Features of a town

1 Complete the quotes with the words in the box.

cycle lanes landmark outdoor café skyline
suburb traffic jams

1 My favourite thing to do in the evening is to look at the sun set over the city _____.

2 It takes so long to get to work in the mornings because of the _____.

3 If you do one thing when you get to Tokyo, visit the *Skytree*. You can't miss it. It's such a famous _____.

4 No, I don't drive anymore. Now there are _____ it's safer to travel to work by bicycle.

5 It's so nice to sit outside and have a coffee in the sun at an _____.

6 I don't want to live in the busy and crowded centre, give me a quiet _____ any day!

2 Cross out the incorrect alternative in each sentence.

- The *neighbourhood/suburb/skyline* where I live is as interesting and historical as the city centre. I love to walk around the streets and have a coffee in the local cafés at the weekend.
- What I love most about my city is how green it is! It's so easy to get around without a car with all of the *pedestrian streets/cycle lanes/traffic jams*.
- When we visit new cities, we love to get out and explore. It's so much fun to visit the local *art galleries/landmarks/cycle lanes* and be a tourist for the day.
- You could spend hours exploring this city. There is always something new to discover. With a large number of famous *squares/landmarks/cycle lanes*, Venice is one of the most popular cities in the world.
- The one thing that surprises people when they come here is the view of the *skyline/main square/traffic jam*. It's spectacular.
- It's all about culture and relaxation for Mike when he goes on a city break. You can't get him away from the *outdoor cafés/art galleries/skylines*.

Grammar

Articles

3 Correct the mistake in sentences 1–5.

People

1 The people use their phones too much these days – I don't think it's healthy.

2 Where did you put a key? I can't find it anywhere!

3 My brother's teacher – he loves it!

4 Paris skyline is so beautiful at night.

5 The money isn't important to me – I work hard because I love my job.

6 I live in the UK although I travel quite a lot for the work.

4 Complete the comments with *a, an, the* or no article (-).

The best cities in the world – as voted for by you

As¹ _____ tour guide, I've travelled all over² _____ world, but there is only one place I call home and that's Perth, ³ _____ capital of Western Australia. We've got everything here: ⁴ _____ beautiful beaches, lively bars and scenic parks. (Mark, Perth, Australia)

If I had to pick⁵ _____ city, then Madrid would definitely be⁶ _____ city at the top of my list! The bars and cafés are great when you want to get together with⁷ _____ friends and hang out. And⁸ _____ Spanish people are so open and friendly. (Emer, Madrid, Spain)

I'm⁹ _____ New Yorker, and New York has¹⁰ _____ great food and famous landmarks, but Houston is magical. Kids and adults alike will enjoy¹¹ _____ Houston Museum of Natural Science, and art lovers shouldn't miss the Art Car Museum. ¹² _____ food is amazing! (Teresa, Houston, US)

