

READING COMPREHENSION

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My New Life in the City

When I moved to the city a year ago, I was excited about the new adventure, but I was also a little worried. I used to live in a small town where life was calm, quiet, and predictable. In my hometown, people knew each other, there was hardly any traffic, and the loudest noise was usually the birds in the morning.

However, everything changed when I arrived in the city. I wasn't used to the constant noise, the tall buildings, or the crowded buses. The first few weeks were really overwhelming. I remember feeling exhausted just from walking to work because of the number of people I had to navigate through. I was also confused by the subway system—it felt like a maze!

At times, I felt frustrated because things didn't feel natural or easy anymore. Even simple things like buying groceries or asking for directions felt like a challenge. I started to miss my old life and the comfort of familiar routines.

But slowly, I began to get used to the fast pace. I found a small café near my apartment where the barista already knows my order. I've learned the subway lines, and I can get almost anywhere without getting lost. I've even made some new friends who were also new to the city, and we often share stories about how difficult it was at first.

Now, after one year, I can say that I'm completely used to city life. I find it exciting, full of energy, and always interesting. There's always something to do—a concert, a new restaurant to try, or a park to explore. I no longer feel lost or confused. Instead, I feel more confident and motivated.

Sometimes, when I visit my hometown, I enjoy the peace and quiet—but I also get a little bored. Life there seems too slow now. I never thought I would say this, but I actually prefer the city!

A. Choose the correct option:

What is the main theme of the text?

- a) City life is stressful and unhealthy.
- b) It's hard to make friends in the city.
- c) Adapting to a new environment takes time.
- d) The city is better than the countryside.

How did the writer feel when they first moved to the city?

- a) Confident and excited
- b) Overwhelmed and confused
- c) Relaxed and happy
- d) Motivated and focused

What does the sentence "*I used to live in a small town*" mean?

- a) The writer now lives in a small town.
- b) The writer currently visits a small town.
- c) The writer lived in a small town in the past.
- d) The writer is going to move to a small town.

Which of these is an example of getting used to something?

- a) "I used to live in a small town."
- b) "I wasn't used to the traffic."
- c) "I started to get used to the busy streets."
- d) "City life is too overwhelming."

What helped the writer adapt to city life?

- a) Moving to a quieter neighborhood
- b) Finding familiar routines and making friends
- c) Staying at home more often
- d) Getting a new job

Which of the following adjectives describes the writer's feelings after adjusting to city life?

- a) Frustrated
- b) Confused
- c) Bored
- d) Confident

How does the writer feel about visiting their hometown now?

- a) They find it peaceful but a bit slow.
- b) They want to move back immediately.
- c) They think it's more exciting than the city.
- d) They feel afraid to go back.

Why was the grocery store a challenge at first?

- a) It was too expensive.
- b) The writer didn't know where things were.
- c) There were no grocery stores in the city.
- d) The writer didn't eat much.

Which phrase best shows that the writer has adapted to city life?

- a) "I was also a little worried."
- b) "I wasn't used to the constant noise."
- c) "I'm completely used to city life now."
- d) "I missed my old life."

What helped the writer feel less confused about the city?

- a) Leaving the city often
- b) Staying indoors
- c) Learning to use the subway and finding a favorite café
- d) Talking to people in their hometown

B. True or False

Write T for true and F for false.

- The writer had always wanted to live in a city. ____
- It was easy for the writer to adapt to the city right away. ____
- The writer felt frustrated at the beginning of their city life. ____
- Making new friends helped the writer feel better. ____
- The writer now feels confident and used to city life. ____
- The writer still feels overwhelmed by city crowds. ____
- The writer no longer gets lost in the subway. ____
- The writer prefers their hometown over the city now. ____
- The writer enjoys trying new things in the city. ____
- The writer finds the city boring. ____