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A) Match words 1–8 with descriptions a–h.

- 1 art gallery ____
- 2 romantic comedy ____
- 3 traffic jam ____
- 4 science fiction ____
- 5 suburb ____
- 6 skyline ____
- 7 cycle lane ____
- 8 historical drama ____

- a the area outside the city centre where people live.
- b when vehicles cannot move quickly on roads.
- c a place where you can look at paintings.
- d a film set in the past.
- e a film often set in space with aliens.
- f a funny film about people in love.
- g where people on bikes can travel safely.
- h the shape of a city from a distance.

B) Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

active energetic good value popular quiet stressful unhealthy unreliable

- 1 I hate shopping at the weekend. It's very crowded and I find it too _____.
- 2 Kieran is really _____. He eats burgers almost every night and never exercises.
- 3 These days, older people are more _____ than in the past and often do sports.
- 4 I prefer living in the countryside. It's so _____ compared to the city.
- 5 Don't call that taxi company. They're so _____. They're always late or don't come at all.
- 6 It has all of the functions of a much more expensive phone but is half the price. It's very _____.
- 7 These types of phone are very _____ at the moment. Everyone I know has one.
- 8 I need a less _____ dog. He wants to go for walks all the time and never gets tired.

2. READING

A) Read the article and decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).

People say that moving house is one of the most stressful things you can do, but the Anderson family didn't just move house, they moved continents. We talked to them about their experiences travelling the 7,000 miles from England to Indonesia.

So, why did they decide to move halfway around the world? Jenny Anderson loves animals and wanted to help protect them. She was studying for her PhD in Animal Conservation and was very interested in the orangutans of the Sumatran rainforest. 'I wrote lots of emails to an organisation there, asking questions for my research,' Jenny remembers. 'Then one day, they asked if I was interested in working with them. I was so surprised!' Of course, she wanted to go, but she had to think about her family first. Len, her husband, was working in a job he enjoyed. He was an engineer for a large oil company. They also had two children: Keira who was six, and Ben who was four. But Len knew that this was a fantastic opportunity for Jenny. After some thought, he decided he'd quite like to explore somewhere new and interesting. 'Let's do it,' he said

Was it very different in Indonesia? 'Of course, it was so much hotter than the UK,' says Jenny. 'It was 25 degrees Celsius even in the wet season. And the rain was the heaviest I've ever seen.' The house where they were living was on a street which flooded when it rained, and it rained a lot. They sometimes had to walk in water up to their knees when they went out shopping. 'We didn't have hot water and there was no shower,' says Len. 'We had to fill a bucket with water and use that to wash.' They wondered if they had made a big mistake in leaving their lovely home in England. They even had a few conversations about returning. 'Everything was so different,' says Jenny. 'The roads were more crowded, the food was spicier and everywhere was louder than we were used to.'

So, did they regret their decision to move to the other side of the world? 'Not at all,' says Len. 'After a couple of weeks, we began to enjoy the differences. The people are much friendlier here than in the United Kingdom. They are so interested in our lives.' Jenny agrees, 'Yes, the Indonesians are the nicest people I've ever met. And I love my job, too. Keira and Ben are growing up near the rainforest and see orangutans, elephants and monkeys all the time. 'Their friends back home enjoy seeing photos of the animals.'

They aren't planning to move back to England yet, then? 'Not yet,' says Jenny. 'But it is nice to go home for a visit sometimes.'

- 1 There are four members of the Anderson family. _____
- 2 Jenny was looking for work with morangutans. _____
- 3 Len was unsure about moving to Indonesia. _____
- 4 It took a long time for them to like where they were living. _____
- 5 One difference between the countries was the noise. _____
- 6 The children kept in contact with their friends. _____
- 7 They haven't been back to the UK since they moved. _____
- 8 They never plan to return to England. _____

3. WRITING

A) Write about the town or city you live in or one which you know well. Write 190 words.

4. GRAMMAR

A) Choose the correct option a, b, c or d, to complete the text.

The Film Critic

Millie 1 ___ a film critic since she left university over ten years ago. She's loved movies since she 2 ___ a child when animations were her favourite type of film. These days she thinks historical dramas are 3 ___ interesting than animations. She first started working at 4 ___ fashion magazine which included a small film review article each month. The place 5 ___ she works now is an online film review website. She says that websites are 6 ___ than magazines for learning about films because it's easier to find a review of the film that you want to see. Magazines also have less space to give good reviews. The 7 ___ types of film people read about on her website are horror and science fiction. Last month she 8 ___ about her top ten favourite romantic comedies, but this type of film is her 9 ___ favourite. 'My boss asked me to write the review,' she said, 'because he wants to attract more people to 10 ___ website.' However, she 11 ___ writing it.

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| 1 a has been | b is being | c was | d is |
| 2 a was | b is | c has been | d has been being |
| 3 a the most | b the more | c more | d - |
| 4 a a | b an | c the | d - |
| 5 a where | b when | c which | d who |
| 6 a good | b best | c the best | d better |
| 7 a popular | b more popular | c most popular | d popularest |
| 8 a wrote | b has written | c written | d has wrote |
| 9 a less | b the least | c leaster | d least |
| 10 a a | b an | c the | d - |
| 11 a hate | b hates | c hated | d was hated |

B) Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I _____ (not see) him this afternoon. He _____ (be) here this morning.
- 2 Peter _____ (go) to Paris when he was a student but he _____ (not go) back since then.
- 3 It _____ (not be) a fair race. I _____ (run, never) that distance before but Vicky is a long-distance runner.
- 4 You _____ (eat) all the cakes! I _____ (make) those for all of us.
- 5 _____ anyone _____ (see) my watch? I think I _____ (leave) it in the storeroom but I can't find it.
- 6 I _____ (just start) the book but I'm already bored. _____ (you finish) it yet?