

areas of a city

1 A Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- 1 It used to be quite a _____ area, but it's changed a lot recently.
a run-out b run-over c run-down
- 2 There are lots of _____ buildings in the business district.
a high-style b high-raise c high-rise
- 3 She lives in a _____ area with lots of big houses.
a wealth b wealthy c money
- 4 I love the relaxed _____ in the neighbourhood.
a atmosphere b feel c character
- 5 The longest _____ market in Europe is in east London.
a street b road c lane
- 6 We like living in an area with a strong _____ of community.
a thought b sensation c sense

B Complete the travel guide with the words in the box.

buildings ideal market murals
nightlife run-down spot tree-lined

Lavapiés is one of Madrid's oldest neighbourhoods and by far its coolest area. Once a ¹ _____ part of the city, Lavapiés has completely changed and is now a popular tourist ² _____.

While it doesn't have the royal palaces or ³ _____ avenues of other parts of Madrid, there's plenty to see and do in Lavapiés. You can easily spend an afternoon exploring the old, narrow streets which are full of beautiful, historic ⁴ _____ such as the Art Deco cinema or the eighteenth-century *Escuelas Pías*, now a university library with a fantastic roof café.

Lavapiés is home to many artists and the whole neighbourhood is covered in colourful ⁵ _____ and street art. If you're an art-lover, there are lots of interesting, independent galleries to visit as well as the world-famous modern art gallery, the *Reina Sofía*, on the southern edge of Lavapiés.

El Rastro is a busy street ⁶ _____ between Lavapiés and neighbouring district La Latina. It's one of Europe's largest and definitely worth visiting to pick up a bargain or two. It's also worth going to the *Mercado Anton Martín* – a typical neighbourhood market with over sixty stalls selling delicious food.

It's the ⁷ _____ spot for trying traditional Spanish food in a real market.

Lavapiés is one of the most culturally diverse neighbourhoods in Madrid with cafés and restaurants selling food from all over the world, as well as hundreds of typical Spanish *tapas* bars. On Fridays and Saturdays, Lavapiés has a very lively ⁸ _____ with many places staying open until 3 a.m.

