EXERCISE 4

Read the paragraph again carefully. Choose the correct answer to the question.

Paragraph A

Researchers recently gave 1,000 people a questionnaire about 'Cities of The Future'. To answer the questions, the people had to imagine and describe what they thought our cities might look like in the year 2050. Interestingly, a large number of people were anxious that they would become 'dark, dangerous places', which had endless traffic jams and very few green spaces. This group also predicted an increase in the level of pollution and thought people would always need to wear facemasks in order to breathe. They also believed that it would be less safe to walk on the street as there would be 'more stealing' and other criminal behaviour. A smaller number thought cities might become a lot cleaner, and might be built from more interesting materials. They were also looking forward to new technology such as flying cars and moving pavements. In general, they believed that the cities of the future would offer a much more convenient way of living. A few people were uncertain; for example, they thought the size of apartments might reduce as the population of the city grew, but they also thought that public transport would become better.

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1. What do the results of the questionnaire show?

    - A Most people feel worried rather than pleased about the way that cities will develop.
    - B People imagined that no one would use their own vehicles any more.
    - C People think that crime will be the worst problem that future cities will have.
    - D Some people believe that there will not be enough houses in the city for everyone.

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