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Gustavo, a Chicago resident: 'You're connected to no one'

City dwellers face many 1)_____ challenges, and finding your tribe is one of them. The more people around you, the easier it is to get lost among them, to 2)_____ your own self. In big cities one can be completely busy doing so much and be left with little to no time to nurture any particular relationship or interest. Therefore, you're living surrounded by people, but connected to no one.

Donald Saunter, ex-Saarbrücken resident: 'The city had little to offer'

Growing up in a city that had little to offer but 3)_____ playgrounds, underfunded schools and a sorry park, I spent most of my precious childhood at home staring at screens. Later, I was 4)_____ to move out of the city and into a more suburban, almost rural place. After a rough phase of adaptation, I was overwhelmed with the cordiality that 5)_____ up on me. Within a year, I made dozens of friends, met the girl I now live with and developed a much more positive attitude.



David, New York City resident: 'The city is a five-star jail'

I personally feel that NYC has become a more transient place rather than a community-building place. There's no real sense of community left. The city has also become an investment 6)_____ for absentee foreign owners. Another life-long New Yorker I know once referred to the city as a 'five-star jail' which I found to be pretty accurate. What can be more 7)_____ than a jail?

Juliana, Buenos Aires resident: 'City air makes your free'

I 8)_____ for major cities. While many say that big cities leave you somewhat unprotected and exposed, I've never felt that way. I've never dreamed about an idyllic country house to 9)_____ either. Cities are the ideal environment to discover yourself in your own light, without feeling like you are being watched or 10)_____, and really thrive.

