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Vocabulary Features of city life

1 Complete the paragraphs with the words and phrases in the box.

area cycle paths flats local(x2) location neighbours night life
pollution public transport traffic

Ellen

I live in the UK in an ¹ _____ of Birmingham called Moseley. It's in a great ² _____ because it's close to the city centre and the countryside. There are many delicious restaurants to eat at, and there are a lot of small, ³ _____ shops. You can buy so many interesting types of clothes there! One great thing about Birmingham is that there are a lot of parks. The bad thing about Birmingham is that there is a lot of ⁴ _____. Sometimes it takes an hour to drive two miles through the city centre!

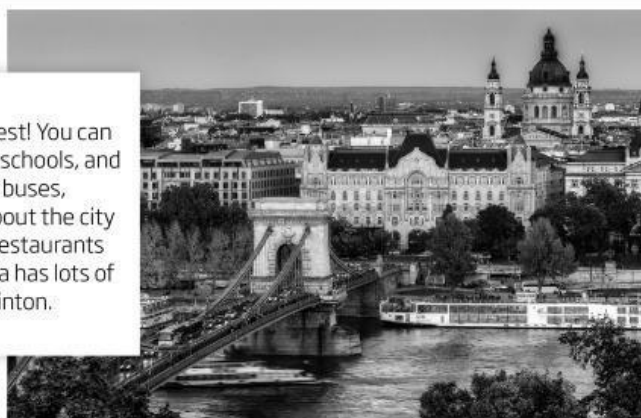


Andrew

Where I live, we don't have much ⁵ _____ – the air is very clean because there are no factories and there is a lot of space. My house is in the countryside in Canada. There are no ⁶ _____ here because most people live in big houses on farms with animals. It's a great place to ride your bike, too. There are lots of ⁷ _____ and you can see some beautiful places on your bike. Another thing I love about where I live is that we know our ⁸ _____ very well. Everybody talks to each other here – it's the perfect place to live!

Olga

I live in the centre of the best city in Europe, Budapest! You can find everything here. There are great hospitals and schools, and the ⁹ _____ is amazing because we have buses, trams, a metro and trains. One of the best things about the city is the ¹⁰ _____. Lots of clubs, cafes and restaurants stay open until very late. My ¹¹ _____ area has lots of activities for people to do: tennis, swimming, badminton. Budapest is a great place to live!



2 Work in pairs. Would you like to live in any of the places in Exercise 1? Why/Why not?