

I. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined.

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| 1. A. <u>cow</u> | B. <u>found</u> | C. <u>tower</u> | D. <u>boat</u> |
| 2. A. <u>fair</u> | B. <u>dark</u> | C. <u>wear</u> | D. <u>prepare</u> |
| 3. A. <u>honest</u> | B. <u>locate</u> | C. <u>show</u> | D. <u>know</u> |
| 4. A. <u>power</u> | B. <u>down</u> | C. <u>slow</u> | D. <u>crowded</u> |
| 5. A. <u>hear</u> | B. <u>where</u> | C. <u>their</u> | D. <u>swear</u> |

II. Circle the correct word to complete the sentences. (Khoanh vào từ đúng để hoàn thành các câu.)

- Due to heavy traffic, the main street is often (**polluted / clean**) with car fumes.
- (**Metro / Sky train**) is a fast and efficient public transportation system, often underground.
- Hong Kong city is a (**public amenity / concrete jungle**), which is filled with towering buildings.
- Living in a city offers many (**advantages / drawbacks**) such as access to diverse restaurants and cultural events.
- We prefer living in a quiet neighborhood away from the (**noisy / lively**) traffic of the city center.
- We decided to avoid the (**slow / bustling**) crowds during rush hour and took a walk in the park instead.
- I love the energy of the city, but sometimes it gets too (**busy / idle**). I need to escape to nature for a while.
- Many cities are trying to reduce the number of (**private cars / public transport**) on the road in order to decrease traffic congestion.
- Despite the city's growth, some neighborhoods have managed to preserve their (**modern / traditional**) charm, with ancient narrow streets and family-owned shops.
- Commuting from the (**downtown / suburbs**) to the city center can take longer than traveling within the city itself.

III. Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D. (Chọn đáp án đúng nhất A, B, C hoặc D.)

- Compared to the suburbs, cities generally have _____ traffic.
A. more B. most C. the more D. the most
- The _____ pollution there is in the air, the _____ it is to breathe comfortably.
A. less – hardest B. more – hardest C. less - harder D. most – harder
- Cities often have a _____ selection of restaurants than smaller towns.
A. widest B. wider C. as wide as D. the wider
- The _____ you plan your trip in advance, the _____ likely you are to avoid the rush hour traffic.
A. best – least B. good - little C. well – more D. better – less
- City life can be _____ fast-paced than life in smaller towns.
A. much more B. more much C. many more D. more many
- The _____ you get to know the locals, the _____ comfortable you might feel in a new city.
A. sooner – least B. sooner – more C. later – most D. soonest – much
- The _____ pollution there is in a city, the _____ the air quality becomes.
A. more – worse B. most – worse C. less - worse D. much – bad
- Cities are often _____ crowded than rural areas.
A. significantly most B. more significantly C. significantly more D. the most significantly
- The _____ you use technology in your daily life, the _____ connected you feel to others.
A. much – most B. less – most C. much – more D. more – more
- Renting an apartment in the city center is usually _____ renting one in the suburbs.

- A. as expensive B. more expensive than C. expensive more than D. expensive than

IV. Complete the dialogue with the sentences from the box. (Hoàn thành đoạn hội thoại với các câu trong khung.)

- A. It was. B. Sounds good to me. C. The train was packed.
D. And there's always something new to see and do. E. How's the new apartment anyway?
F. It's nice to have a little bit of green space in the city jungle.

Nadia: Liam! Sorry I'm late. (1) _____

Liam: No worries, I just got here myself. Busy morning?

Nadia: You could say that. Had three client calls before 8 AM. This city never sleeps!

Liam: Tell me about it. My apartment building decided to have a fire drill this morning, at 7:30!

Nadia: Oh no! That would definitely wake you up. (2) _____

Liam: It's great, actually. Much bigger than my old one, and it has a balcony with a view of the park. (3) _____

Nadia: I bet. I miss having a backyard sometimes, but then I remember all the things I love about city life. Like the convenience, you can find anything you need within a few blocks.

Liam: Definitely. (4) _____ Last weekend, I went to this amazing street art festival downtown.

Nadia: Oh, I saw pictures on social media! It looked incredible.

Liam: (5) _____ So much creativity and talent on display. It's inspiring to be surrounded by such a diverse and vibrant community.

Nadia: Absolutely. Although, sometimes I do crave a bit of peace and quiet. Maybe a weekend getaway to the countryside is in order?

Liam: (6) _____ But for now, let's enjoy this city coffee and catch up on our hectic lives.

V. Read the passage and write True or False. (Đọc đoạn văn và viết True (Đúng) hoặc False (Sai).)

New York City is a mix of cultures, with people from over 200 countries represented within its diverse population. This remarkable diversity is evident in the city's unique neighborhoods, each with its own distinct character and traditions. Little Italy offers a taste of Italy, which transports you to a world of authentic restaurants and charming bakeries lining the streets. The aromas of freshly baked bread and hot sauces fill the air, creating a sensory experience that evokes the heart of Italy. In contrast, bustling Chinatown transports you to another world, with its markets overflowing with exotic spices and delicious street food. Here, you can experience the rich cultural heritage of China through its sights, sounds, and flavors. Harlem, known as a center of African American culture, boasts a rich history and continues to be a hub for music and artistic expression. This incredible cultural richness contributes to the city's dynamic energy and makes New York City a captivating place to explore, offering a unique blend of cultures and experiences that leave a lasting impression on visitors and residents.

- _____ New York City has a diverse population with people from over 200 countries.
- _____ The passage does not mention the specific number of unique neighborhoods in New York City.
- _____ Little Italy is known for its authentic Italian restaurants and bakeries.
- _____ According to the passage, Chinatown is described as having quiet streets.
- _____ Harlem is known as a center of African American culture.
- _____ New York City offers a unique blend of cultures and experiences.

VI. Choose the option that best transforms the original one. (Chọn câu đúng nhất với câu được cho.)

1. The bus is often late, so I miss the start of my class.

A. If the bus isn't late, I will miss the start of class.

B. I would miss the start of my class if the bus wasn't late.

C. The bus would be late if I missed the start of my class.

D. If the bus was on time, I wouldn't miss the start of class.

2. "I enjoy the variety of food the city offers," said Maria.

A. Maria said she enjoys the variety of food the city offers.

B. Maria said she enjoyed the variety of food the city offered.

C. Maria said she will enjoy the variety of food the city offers.

D. Maria asked if she enjoys the variety of food the city offers.

3. The cost of living in the rural areas is not as high as in the city.

A. The cost of living in the city is higher than in rural areas.

B. The cost of living in the city is not higher than in rural areas.

C. The cost of living in the city is the highest in the country.

D. The cost of living in the city is as high as anywhere else.

4. Once I get used to the city noise, it won't bother me anymore.

A. The city noise won't bother me anymore, but I will never get used to it.

B. I am getting used to the city noise, and it won't bother me anymore.

C. As soon as I get used to the city noise, it will no longer bother me.

D. When I get used to the city noise, I won't be bothered by it anymore.

5. Living in the city is exciting, but I sometimes miss the quiet of the countryside.

A. Though living in the city is exciting, I sometimes miss the quiet of the countryside.

B. Because life in the country is quiet, I sometimes miss the excitement of the city.

C. Living in the city is exciting, so sometimes I miss the quiet of the countryside.

D. Although living in the city is exciting, but I sometimes miss the quiet of the countryside.