

**IX. Choose the correct verb from the box to complete each phrasal verb. Make any changes if necessary.**

set	cheer	pull	find	dress
take	turn	turn	go	get

1. Kate and her partner are \_\_\_\_\_ up their own printing business.
2. Many of those old buildings will soon be \_\_\_\_\_ down.
3. The weather became so bad that they had to \_\_\_\_\_ back.
4. You'd better get dressed and \_\_\_\_\_ up. The guests are coming any minute.
5. One of the actors was unwell and couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ on with the performance.
6. They were \_\_\_\_\_ up in old sheets, pretending to be ghosts.
7. Please \_\_\_\_\_ your shoes off before entering the temple.
8. We may never \_\_\_\_\_ out the truth about what happened.
9. It's taken me ages to \_\_\_\_\_ over the flu.
10. Richard had \_\_\_\_\_ up on Christmas Eve with Tony.

**X. Fill in each blank with a suitable preposition.**

1. Despite the high cost \_\_\_\_\_ living, London is a great place to live.
2. There has been an increase \_\_\_\_\_ the number of tourists visiting Thailand these days.
3. City dwellers are more likely to suffer \_\_\_\_\_ stress and anxiety than people who live in the countryside.
4. West Indian culture has had a big influence \_\_\_\_\_ me.
5. It took a long time for the British economy to recover \_\_\_\_\_ the effects of the war.
6. The historic city Melaka is 122 kilometers \_\_\_\_\_ Kuala Lumpur.
7. West Hampstead has a variety \_\_\_\_\_ good shops and supermarkets.
8. The hotels were packed \_\_\_\_\_ tourists during high season.

**C. SPEAKING**

**I. Put the dialogue into the correct order.**

- \_\_\_ Of course. What do you want to know?
- \_\_\_ Yes, I have. It's a very interesting city indeed.
- \_\_\_ What are the attractions in Da Nang?
- \_\_\_ Da Nang attracts a great number of tourists with Marble Mountain, Ba Na Hill, Son Tra Peninsula, etc.
- \_\_\_ It has both mountains and beaches. In addition, the city is famous for its Dragon Bridge, which is the longest bridge in Vietnam. The local food is cheap yet special and tasty.
- \_\_\_ Travelling by plane is the best option. However, you can also go there by coach.
- \_\_\_ Well, I'm worried about financial matters a bit. Is the flight reasonable?
- \_\_\_ Absolutely yes. You should book it in advance to get the best price.
- \_\_\_ You're welcome.

1. Have you ever been to Da Nang?  
 — Can you tell me some details about it?  
 — Hmm, I wonder how we can travel there.  
 — Great! Thank you so much.  
 — I will visit the airlines websites soon. Anyway, what are the main features of the city?

**II. Write questions for the underlined parts.**

1. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: The capital of Korea is Seoul.
2. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: Seoul is located in the northwest corner of South Korea.
3. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: Seoul was founded as the capital of Korea in 1394.
4. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: The population of Seoul is about 9.8 million.
5. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: The weather in Seoul is warm and humid in the summer but cold and snowy in the winter.
6. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: There are 27 bridges across Han River throughout the city.
7. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: N Seoul Tower is the best attraction in Seoul.
8. A: \_\_\_\_\_  
 B: K-pop appeals to youngsters because of its unique, quirky costumes, dance moves and catchy songs.

**D. READING**

**I. Complete the passage with words from the box.**

salary	enact	standard	dealt
material	accommodation	attract	number

With the socioeconomic development, more and more cities around the world have been (1) \_\_\_\_\_ with the shortage of housing. These day, there are a large (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of laborers flooding into city centers to search for suitable jobs with high level of (3) \_\_\_\_\_. As a result, the demand of the (4) \_\_\_\_\_ has risen significantly than ever before because the demands outweigh the supplies. Moreover, most people would like to live in cities because they have a higher (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of living than that of the countryside. Obviously, with stable and high income of the employees, they would have a better cultural life as well as (6) \_\_\_\_\_ life in cities.

To address this social problem, governments should call for investment in the countryside to (7) \_\_\_\_\_ labor forces. In addition, they also need to put an effort into raising a great deal of money to build more skyscrapers to meet demands of housing and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ a law that sets strict conditions to work and to live in cities.

### III. Read the text carefully, then choose the correct answers.

Life in the big city is face-paced, fun and exciting. There are countless job opportunities and activities to occupy your time. However, with the good, there also comes the bad. Although the big city has more job opportunities; there are also more people competing for a single job. This can make your job search frustrating. Oddly enough, you will see hundreds, if not thousands of jobs available each week, but you still might remain unemployed, especially when the economy is down. In addition, the cost of living is typically higher in big cities, and it can **cost you an arm and a leg** for a small apartment in a decent area of the city, not to mention other costs to fulfill your basic demands. Diversity is a good thing, but the amount of people can be a bit overwhelming if you are not accustomed to it. There will always be crowds and always be people around. Moreover, traffic can be a nightmare in the big city. It can get so bad that it can turn you into an evil person. If you hate driving in traffic, then the big city life is not for you. Heavy traffic also contributes to the pollution, which is one of the biggest disadvantages of living in the city. Obviously, our health is affected most with certain diseases relating to respiratory system and other body parts. A lot of premature deaths are supposed to be the result of long-term exposure to small particles. Most importantly, there is always more crime in a big city, causing you second case your decision for living in a big city. You are much more likely to be a victim of a crime living in a big city than in a small town.

1. According to the passage, some good things of living in the city are \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. excellent educational system and recreational activities
  - b. excellent educational system and countless job opportunities
  - c. countless job opportunities and activities to occupy your time
  - d. a lot of kinds of entertainment and shopping centers
2. While big cities have more job opportunities, it also give \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. more competition for a single job
  - b. higher salary
  - c. growing economic crisis
  - d. greater chances of being unemployed
3. What does the phrase “cost an arm and a leg” mean?

a. your legs and arms have good value	b. cost a small amount of money
c. you must work hard to earn money	d. cost a lot of money
4. According to the paragraph, city is not a perfect place for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. extroverted people
  - b. introverted people
  - c. people who hate driving in traffic
  - d. people who prefer a busy life
5. In the big city, people tend to \_\_\_\_\_ when traffic is getting heavy.
  - a. go crazy
  - b. get enough time to relax
  - c. wait a bit longer
  - d. slow down themselves
6. Which of the following sentences is NOT true?
  - a. Pollution causes health problems.
  - b. Cities are always crowded.
  - c. It costs a lot of money to live in a big city.

## E. WRITING

### I. Write sentences, using the clues given.

1. there/ be/ steady/ increase/ demand/ hotel accommodation/ since 1998

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2. these days/ more/ more/ people/ be/ suffer/ air pollution

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3. I/ never/ read/ such/ romantic story/ this/ before

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4. she/ spend/ most/ time/ surf/ net/ information/ the next trip

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5. Van Gogh/ have/ major Influence/ development/ modern painting

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6. despite/ Brexit,/ London/ remain/ one/ most/ open/ cosmopolitan/ city/ the world

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7. the house/ that/ we/ rent/ London/ last year / be/ fully/ furnish

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8. people/ face/ large/ amount/ environmental problems/ every day

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### II. Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence.

1. I've never had to wait this long for a bus before.

→ This is \_\_\_\_\_

2. Remember to take note of what the tour guide said.

→ Remember to put \_\_\_\_\_

3. It took us more than 3 hours to discover the inner Hanoi.

→ We spent \_\_\_\_\_

4. No other book is more popular than Dickens' "David Copperfield".

→ Dickens' "David Copperfield" is \_\_\_\_\_

5. Why don't you consider our suggestion before making official decision?

→ Why don't you think \_\_\_\_\_

6. Watching TV is not as important as doing homework.

→ Doing homework \_\_\_\_\_

7. My friend plays piano brilliantly.

→ My friend is \_\_\_\_\_

8. I find most of the young men of my own age so boring.

→ I feel \_\_\_\_\_