

Unit 4

A Complete the text with these words.

commercial district industrial inner outskirts residential suburb urban

Henry and his family live on the second floor of a block of flats in the ¹ _____ city area. However, this ² _____ life does not suit him and his young family as there is constant noise pollution from traffic and sirens from emergency vehicles blaring out loudly, as well as car alarms going off at all hours of the day or night. Similarly, in this central ³ _____ they are surrounded by shops and other ⁴ _____ buildings that are covered with neon-lit billboards and advertisements, which makes it difficult to get a good night's sleep with so much light pollution coming through their windows. They would prefer to live in a quiet ⁵ _____ on the ⁶ _____ of the city. So they are looking for a house in a peaceful ⁷ _____ neighbourhood with a back garden where the children can play close to nature and far away from the ⁸ _____ or factory zones.

B Choose the correct words.

- 1 To our surprise, the **owner / tenant** increased the rent of our apartment by 30 per cent!
- 2 The **tenant / lodger** pays rent for a room to the person who owns the house.
- 3 The **landlord / squatter** is very generous and hasn't increased the rent due to the financial crisis.
- 4 The policeman asked who the **squatter / occupant** of the apartment was.
- 5 An **inhabitant / occupant** lives in a city.
- 6 My **tenant / flatmate** and I share all the costs because it's too expensive to rent a flat alone in London.
- 7 The house was empty and deserted for a long time and now a **squatter / lodger** is living in it.
- 8 A **tenant / inhabitant** does not have the same legal rights to the property as the owner.

C Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the future simple, future continuous, future perfect simple, future perfect continuous tense or *be going to*.

- 1 The weather reporter says it _____ (rain) tomorrow, so the humidity will increase.
- 2 You seem to be very tired, so _____ (I / make) you a cup of tea?
- 3 City life can be very stressful, I know. I've made up my mind I _____ (move) out to the countryside instead.
- 4 By the year 2050, the world's population _____ (increase) dramatically.
- 5 Next week, I will leave all my troubles behind and _____ (lie) on the beach, relaxing in the sun.
- 6 In rural areas, because there are few facilities and poor public transport services, many young people _____ (move) to the city in search of excitement.
- 7 The traffic congestion in the city is increasing daily, so I believe that air and noise pollution _____ (worsen).
- 8 Have you made up your mind what you _____ (study)?
- 9 In the future, companies _____ (make) clothes from recycled materials in order to reduce household and industrial waste.
- 10 By the turn of the century, we hope that scientists _____ (find) a cure for many diseases.
- 11 Trends show that many people _____ (shop) on-line as it is so convenient in order to save and money.
- 12 Architects _____ (design) new houses that are environmentally-friendly in the future.