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## Vocabulary

### Globalisation

- 1 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

brain drain    brand    clash    corporation  
 global financial crisis    goods    immigration  
 local produce    mass    multi-ethnic  
 non-native speaker    standard of living  
 sweatshop    way of life

- You shouldn't buy shoes from that company. They're only cheap because they use sweatshops in the third world.
- Coca-Cola is a best-selling drinks \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jade and Phil moved to the country for a simpler \_\_\_\_\_.
- I like living in a \_\_\_\_\_ society. It's interesting to learn about other cultures.
- The unification of the two countries led to a \_\_\_\_\_ of cultures.
- The government offered new benefits to doctors, to try and slow the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Despite the recession, sales of electrical \_\_\_\_\_ have actually increased.
- He works for a big multinational \_\_\_\_\_ which has offices in South East Asia, Europe and South America.
- The government has tightened its \_\_\_\_\_ policy by placing a limit on the number of visas issued.
- There are now more \_\_\_\_\_s of English than people who speak it as a first language in the world.
- Have you been to Salivar's? It's a restaurant that only uses \_\_\_\_\_.
- The new government's policies were responsible for a much higher \_\_\_\_\_ than the previous government's.
- \_\_\_\_\_ emigration from Mexico at the turn of the last century brought increased diversity to the USA.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ at the end of the last decade caused many banks to collapse.

## Vocabulary

### Urbanisation


- 2 Match the words and phrases in A with the words and phrases in B to complete the sentences.

A	B
availability	green
high-rise	residential
shanty	sky-high
urban	
	areas
	belt
	buildings
	of housing
	property prices
	sprawl
	towns

- Due to mass migration into the capital, the outer areas of the city soon became shanty towns.
- You can't use your car horn after 10 p.m. in \_\_\_\_\_.
- The limited \_\_\_\_\_ meant that Dylan and Sue were finding it hard to find somewhere they could afford.
- Surrounded by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the capital city, the park is very popular with locals.
- Being surrounded by \_\_\_\_\_ here, we don't get much natural light in the day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ in the city have led many to look for cheaper places in the countryside.
- There are strict limits on building on \_\_\_\_\_ land outside the city.

## Listen and read

### City or country?

- 3a  1.1 Listen to and/or read some comments that people made following an online radio discussion programme. Where does each listener think is better: the city (C), the country (CO) or it depends (D)?

b Which listener:

- thinks travelling by bus or train is a bad thing? C
- talks about how much more space you have in the country?
- mentions children playing outside?
- feels that it depends on where you can find work rather than on what you prefer?
- mentions interaction with other people?
- criticises people who live in the city?
- thinks the country provides a good social life?
- mentions moving to the country in the future?

# City or country?



**A**

I've lived in a big city here in Brazil for the last ten years, but I was brought up in the country. I much prefer living in a big conurbation like this as I think it teaches you tolerance. In your day-to-day life, you come into contact with a whole host of different types of people, and you get to understand their situation a lot better than if you lived a closed off, more sheltered life in the country.

**Fernanda, Brazil**

**B**

Country for me, every time. Here, we have space to live our lives like real people. I can go for a walk in the fresh air, my dog has plenty of space to run around in and we can see the stars at night. What you city folk don't understand is that we don't have to live on top of each other, and were never meant to.

**Stuart, UK**

**C**

It's much cheaper to live in the country. In terms of property prices, for the same amount as a one-bedroom apartment in New York, I could afford a four-bedroom house with a garden and a pool here. And that's just the start. My grocery bill is much cheaper, as are eating out and entertaining. I can afford to drive a car, so I don't have to rely on public transport, either. All in all, it's a better quality of life here.

**Anthony, USA**

**D**

If you want any kind of social life, then you have to live in the city.

**Adalene, Paris, France**

**E**

In my country, it's often a case of necessity. In the countryside, the air is clean and fresh, it's much more polluted in the cities, so that's a benefit of living rurally, but there just isn't any work there. For me, quality of life depends on finding work. Since I'm an engineer, this has to be the city for now.

**Henu, Indonesia**

**F**

I would say any discussion of whether one is better than the other just oversimplifies the issue. When I was little, for example, I used to love living in the country. I could go and play for hours in the fields and forests near where we lived. In the summer holidays, I would go out with friends on our bikes and only come back for dinner. But as I got older, I found there just wasn't enough to do, and it was pretty dull, so I moved to Toronto, which is much more exciting. I can see myself moving back to the country when I'm older and I want to settle down and maybe have kids myself. So surely it depends more on your age than anything else?

**Chris, Canada**

**G**

People talk to each other more in the country. In the village where I live, every time you leave your house you'll see one of your neighbours, and we always stop and say 'hello', and have a chat. Not only that, but we have regular get-togethers, such as the village barbecue, in the summer. You really feel part of a community, and you just don't get that in the city.

**Cathy, Ireland**

**H**


I have two small children, and wouldn't dream of bringing them up in the city. Every day, the news is full of reports of children going missing, violent attacks, robberies, and the like. It seems to me that you can't go out of your front door in the city without facing some kind of danger. No, it's much better to bring up children in the country, where they can play outside without fear.

**Graham, Sydney, Australia**



## Grammar

### Continuous verb forms

- 4a Choose the correct alternative to complete the article.
- b  1.2 Listen and check.
- 5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.
- 'Have you got any plans for the summer?'  
'Yes, we're spending (we / spend) a couple of weeks at my uncle's house in the mountains.'
  - Shall we ring your parents to say why we're late?  
They must \_\_\_\_\_ (get) worried.
  - How can we decide on where to spend our holiday if \_\_\_\_\_ (you / constantly / change) your mind?
  - Are you going home already?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (I / hope) you'd give me a hand with the washing-up.
  - Stuart \_\_\_\_\_ (forever / devise) ridiculous schemes which he thinks will attract more business.
  - Let's call Patrick. He might \_\_\_\_\_ (know) the answer.
  - This isn't really a good time to phone him. He might \_\_\_\_\_ (work) on his assignment.
  - I find it very annoying that you \_\_\_\_\_ (always / compare) my cooking to your mother's.
  - Excuse me. My friend and I \_\_\_\_\_ (wonder) if you'd mind having your photograph taken with us.
  - You really must \_\_\_\_\_ (make) more of an effort to make friends.

## J12 meeting opens

Over the last few hours, hundreds of delegates from all over the world <sup>1</sup>**are arriving / arrived / ~~have been arriving~~** for the J12 meeting of leading industrialised nations, which this year <sup>2</sup>**had been taking place / is taking place / took place** in the quiet Canadian mountain resort of Kanalgirie. The President of the J12, Bernard Leroy, <sup>3</sup>**has been delivering / has delivered / will be delivering** the opening address when the conference opens tomorrow morning. The Canadian police, who <sup>4</sup>**are preparing / have been preparing / prepared** for the event since late last year, <sup>5</sup>**are taking / take / took** huge precautions to avoid the violence which <sup>6</sup>**has been marking / marked / was marking** last year's summit in Berlin. They <sup>7</sup>**have thrown / have been throwing / throw** an 18-kilometre security cordon around the area, and last night they <sup>8</sup>**are not allowing / have not been allowing / were not allowing** anyone to pass through – including journalists who usually <sup>9</sup>**are having / have / were having** full access to the delegates. From tomorrow, police <sup>10</sup>**have also been blocking / were also blocking / will also be blocking** all mobile phone signals – to prevent bombs being triggered by remote control, a police spokesman <sup>11</sup>**has said / said / was saying** last night. 'The politicians here seem <sup>12</sup>**to be isolating / to isolate / to have been isolating** themselves from the free press,' said one journalist. 'There's no doubt that governments <sup>13</sup>**are becoming / become / were becoming** more and more security conscious and less and less concerned with personal freedom. It <sup>14</sup>**gets / 's getting / will be getting** harder and harder for us to gain access to the people who, over the next few days, <sup>15</sup>**are making / have been making / will be making** decisions which will affect all our lives ... and that's something that should concern us all.'

