

VOCABULARY

Cities: adjectives

- 1 Complete the quotes with the adjectives. Then match them with the pictures. Listen and check.

crowded | empty | industrial | lively
peaceful | polluted | touristy | ugly

A 'I usually come here to escape from the noise and traffic. It's really (1) *peaceful*. And during the week it's (2) ... – you can walk miles without seeing anybody.'

B 'There's a lot to do and see here. It's always (3) It's popular with young people so it gets (4) ... at weekends. And in summer, it's a little (5) ... because people come here during their holidays. But I love it.'

C 'In the past, this was an (6) ... area, but now there are offices here. I think the old buildings were more beautiful. Some of these new buildings are really (7) ...! There's also a lot of traffic here, so the air's quite (8)'



- 2 Listen and repeat the adjectives.

- 3 Describe your town/city. Which places do/ don't you like?

My favourite place is ...

LISTENING

- 4 Listen to Fay talking about her holiday in London. Which places did she visit?

- 5 Listen again. Write the correct option.

- Fay went to London with *her sister* / *some friends*. *her sister*
- She stayed for *a week* / *a month*.
- She liked shopping *on Oxford Street* / *in the markets*.
- She saw a hippopotamus in *the park* / *the museum*.
- She travelled by *bus* / *underground* most of the time.
- She prefers the people in *London* / *her town*.

- 6 True or false? Correct the false sentences.

- Fay stayed at a hotel. *False – She stayed with her aunt and uncle.*
- London's more cosmopolitan and more exciting than Madeley.
- Clothes in Oxford Street are cheaper than in the markets.
- Hyde Park is very lively.
- The underground in London is crowded in the rush hour.
- The buses are faster than the underground.

Comparatives and superlatives

London's **more cosmopolitan than** Madeley.
Hyde Park's **the biggest** park in London.

1 Copy and complete the table.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
(1) <i>cheap</i>	cheaper	the cheapest
nice	(2) ...	the nicest
big	bigger	(3) ...
lively	(4) ...	the liveliest
exciting	(5) ...	the most exciting
good	better	(6) ...
bad	(7) ...	the worst
far	further	the furthest

2 Write true sentences with a comparative adjective. Then listen and check.

- Paris / Mexico City (small)
Paris is smaller than Mexico City.
- Mumbai in India / Tokyo (crowded)
- New York / from Los Angeles / from London (far)
- Luxembourg / Detroit (safe)
- Rome / London (wet)
- London Heathrow Airport / Madrid Barajas Airport (busy)

3 Write the superlative adjective.

- What's *the fastest* (fast) form of public transport?
- Where's ... (good) place to go shopping?
- What's ... (ugly) building?
- What's ... (big) market?
- What's ... (beautiful) monument?
- Where's ... (nice) place to go for a walk?

4 In pairs, answer the questions about where you live.

- What's the fastest form of public transport?*
- I think it's the bus. What do you think?*

What ... like?

What's London **like**? It's great.
What are the shops **like**? They're expensive.

What	be	Subject	like?
What	's	London	like?
	are	the shops	

5 Write questions about these things.

1 – *What's the food like?*

the food the people the parks the weather
the public transport the restaurants

6 Match the questions from exercise 5 with answers a–f about Mexico City.

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- It's safe and cheap.
- They're friendly and very helpful.
- It's warm, but it usually rains in summer.
- It's delicious, but a little spicy!
- They're busy, especially at lunchtime.
- They're great! Chapultepec is the biggest.

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7 Choose a town or city.

8 Ask another student about his/her city. Use the questions in exercise 5.

- What's Paris like?*
- It's exciting, but a little touristy.*

9 In pairs, compare the two cities.

Paris is bigger than Valencia.