

I. Fill in the numbered blanks.

No Way Out

Driving in big towns has been a big problem for many years not only for companies but (1) ... alike. Policy makers are being forced to think of solutions based on public transport, road pricing and other issues.

First of all, cars cause noise and pollution in (2) ... where people walk, shop or go sightseeing, and (3) ... this they are quite dangerous. Secondly, cars cause traffic jams and as a result many hours of work time are (4) ... People need motivation before they change their (5) ... Alternatives to cars are often not (6) ... or of poor quality. The next thing is that public transport must become more (7) ... and more comfortable. In addition, bicycle use should be (8) ..., for example by having more cycle lanes. Some large cities, such as Amsterdam, are already organized in this way. But the most radical measure is road pricing. Asking motorists to pay to enter city centres is controversial, but is an increasingly (9) ... solution. So, (10) ..., we can see that imaginative and sometimes unpopular measures will be needed to make the city a more pleasant place to work and live.

A) areas B) available C) common D) customs E) depended F) disappeared
G) encouraged H) except I) habits J) households K) in conclusion L) lost
M) ready N) regions O) reliable P) residents R) stimulate S) in the meantime

II. Decide which answer, A) B) C) or D), best fits the space.

A Letter to a Friend

Hi Susan,

Even though I arrived to Birmingham last weekend, (1) ... I haven't found my baggage (2) After many inquiries I was told that all my baggage (3) ... to Manchester. The attendant explained that it must have been labelled (4) ... at check-in in Vienna. There were so many people at the airport that I almost (5) ... As it (6) ... I decided to take a taxi to my "new home".

(7) ... the problem with baggage at the beginning, I have had a great time ever since I arrived. The town (8) ... is very nice, I wish you could see it. The people I am staying (9) ... are very nice and I have already (10) ... all the local tourist sites. They treat me (11) ... one of them and this week they have (12) ... me to many of their friends. Yesterday I (13) ... my first day at my new language school. When I arrived there, I (14) ... to a special classroom where (15) ... participants were welcomed (16) ... the Director. He explained what (17) ... to happen and who all the staff (18) Then we went to another large room where we (19) ... a test to do. It was (20) ... difficult. After the test we had an interview with the teacher who (21) ... our spoken English. As we (22) ... we were handed a form (23) ... with all our personal details. Then we were told to come at 9 the (24) ... day. In the afternoon we were taken on a (25) ... tour of Aberdeen. In the meantime, we have (26) ... some books from the library. Just tomorrow, we (27) ... in our new classes, (28) ... the results of our written tests and interviews.

I do hope my stay in Scotland will help improve my English. You know I (29) ... English for a long time and yet it is not (30) ... it should be.

I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards, Sophie

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	A	B	C	D
1.	luckily	hopefully	unfortunately	immediately
2.	still	yet	already	before
3.	sent	was sending	had been sent	had sent
4.	badly	wrongly	unusually	opposite
5.	lost	have lost	got lost	was losing
6.	could get dark	should get dark	was getting dark	gets dark
7.	Because of	Apart from	Due to	Thanks to
8.	alone	oneself	lonely	itself
9.	by	in	with	along
10.	been shown	been showing	shown	showed
11.	so as	so	as	similar to
12.	allowed	introduced	presented	addressed
13.	had to spend	was spending	had spent	spent
14.	took	had taken	was taken	was taking
15.	every	each	either	all
16.	with	by	via	together with
17.	was going	went	should go	had gone
18.	were	should be	will be	have been
19.	gave	have given	were given	had given
20.	quiet	quite	almost	nearly
21.	checked	has checked	checks	was checked
22.	left	have left	had left	were leaving
23.	to fulfil	to fill	to fill in	to fill up
24.	coming	approaching	nearest	following
25.	guide	guided	guiding	being guided
26.	lent	presented	borrowed	asked
27.	will put	put	have put	will be put
28.	due to	despite	based on	because of
29.	am learning	learn	will learn	have been learning
30.	as well as	so good	as good as	so well

III. Decide whether the following ideas are true (A) or false (B) in the text.

1. The major political parties in the United Kingdom are Conservative and Labour.
2. The first English colony in North America was named Virginia.
3. Charles Dickens was the greatest English novelist of the Victorian era.
4. Secondary education in Britain is provided not only by Grammar Schools and Secondary Modern Schools.
5. The mild climate in Britain is partly due to the warm Pacific Stream.
6. In the Channel Islands people speak not only English but French as well.
7. Lakes that are found in the Highlands of Scotland are also called lochs.
8. Cricket is often called the Scottish national game.
9. The USA is composed of 48 states.
10. Compulsory education in Britain is given to children between the ages of 5 and 12.