GOOD AND BAD SIDES OF LIVING IN A CITY

Living in a city is not always the best thing that could ever happen to

you. A lot of people prefer living in the country, on farms or by the sea. Many

of them say that they are happier when they are surrounded by empty fields

and forest. I like living in a city, because I was born in one and I don't know

exactly how life is in the country.

The city has a lot of plus sides. To begin with, people here are more

educated because there are many universities they can attend. If you live in

a city you don't need to stay in student residence as you can live with your

parents instead. Although this might not be such an advantage. In addition

there are many things to do in a city in your spare time. There are a lot of big

shops in the city centre, so you can go shopping. You can hang out with your

friends in big parks or go to the national library where you can read books.

Thirdly, when it is evening, there are still plenty of things to do. You can

go to the cinema or the theatre, for example. Or you can simply go for a walk

around the block where you can meet a lot of people walking their dogs.

Many young people or grown ups go to night clubs or to discos, where they

can dance all night.

In contrast to the above information, cities also have a lot of bad sides.

One of the disadvantages of living in a city is that the air here is becoming

more and more polluted. There are too many cars on the streets and too

much garbage too, so a lot of people can't breathe properly. They can have

major health problems. In most cases, towns are becoming more and more

polluted with household waste. This could easily be prevented if people took
the time to sort or save and recycle their rubbish.

Secondly, people from the city live in one big community but they don't

really know each other because there are too many people in one place.

You cannot know everybody but you can know a lot of people just by

appearance. When you see someone in the street, you might recognize him,

because you have already seen him in the shop. People are not as

connected as in villages, because cities are much bigger. But if you make

friends easily you can have a lot of them here. And you can make a lot of

enemies, too. That's not good, but friends will always help you to deal with

them.

Citizens spend a lot of time on their way to their jobs or schools because

of busy highways. They have to take the bus, or in bigger cities, take the

underground. That's why people don't have so much free time.

In general, there is a lot of crime in cities. People are usually scared to

walk alone in the city centre at night. There are a lot of pickpockets, robbers

and murderers too, especially in bigger cities, like London or New York.

In cities, life is more expensive. You need to go to the shop everyday to

buy groceries because you can't grow or produce them yourself, like people

in the countryside can.

Finally, I conclude that the city is a place to be for people who like a

busy place of life and who aren't bothered by too many people or too much

noise.