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Vienna tops the 2024 Global Liveability Index

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Vienna has been named as the world's most liveable city. It is the third year running the Austrian capital has won this accolade. The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) released its annual Global Liveability Index earlier this week. The Index ranked 173 cities worldwide on a number of factors that affect quality of life. These include culture and environment, education, healthcare, infrastructure, and stability. Vienna was awarded "perfect" scores in all but one of the five categories. It failed to scoop maximum points for culture, "owing to a lack of major sporting events". Vienna's two million residents are blessed with stunning architecture and a rich musical legacy.

The EIU said the average score for liveability in cities around the globe rose "fractionally over the past year". It cautioned that "risks to stability remain". It said: "Tensions around the world could see a deterioration in the Index in coming years. Since we conducted our survey, there have been more instances of civil unrest and demonstrations around the world, suggesting continuing stress on liveability, that is unlikely to ease in the near future." The CNBC website said: "The stability category recorded the biggest decline out of all five categories this year, held back by geopolitical conflict, civil unrest, as well as the ongoing housing crisis and crime seen across many cities."

Sources: <https://www.eiu.com/n/vienna-secures-its-position-as-the-worlds-most-liveable-city-for-third-consecutive-year/>
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WARM-UPS

1. CITIES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about cities. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

Vienna / capital city / accolade / quality of life / infrastructure / stability / architecture
average score / tensions / the globe / in coming years / civil unrest / decline / crime

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. VILLAGES: Students A **strongly** believe it's better to live in villages than cities; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. YOUR TOWN: How liveable is your town? How can it be improved? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Liveability	Improvements
Culture		
Environment		
Education		
Healthcare		
Infrastructure		
Stability		

5. INDEX: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "index". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. BEST CITY: Rank these with your partner. Put the best cities at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Vienna
- New Delhi
- Sydney
- London
- Cairo
- Rio de Janeiro
- Tokyo
- New York

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-----------------------|---|
| 1. accolade | a. A group of things that are similar in some way. |
| 2. annual (adjective) | b. Something handed down from the past, like money or a good reputation. |
| 3. infrastructure | c. A special praise or award for doing something well. |
| 4. category | d. The basic things like roads, buildings, and power supplies that are needed for a country or city to work properly. |
| 5. scoop (verb) | e. Happening once every year. |
| 6. blessed | f. Win or get. |
| 7. legacy | g. Very lucky to have something nice. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| 8. fractionally | h. Warned people about something. |
| 9. cautioned | i. The process of becoming worse. |
| 10. deterioration | j. A gradual fall in the amount or number of something. |
| 11. civil unrest | k. By a very small amount. |
| 12. ease (verb) | l. Related to the affairs of different countries and how they affect each other. |
| 13. decline (verb) | m. To make something less difficult or painful. |
| 14. geopolitical | n. When many people in a country are upset and cause trouble. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

1. Vienna has been the most liveable city for four years in a row. **T / F**
2. The Global Liveability Index looks at 137 cities. **T / F**
3. There was just one category in which Vienna did not get a perfect score. **T / F**
4. The article says Vienna will help aspiring architects and musicians. **T / F**
5. The average liveability index rose significantly last year. **T / F**
6. The Index could see a fall in its numbers in the years ahead. **T / F**
7. The stability category fared worse than the other categories. **T / F**
8. The article says there has been less geopolitical unrest recently. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1. running | a. protests |
| 2. accolade | b. published |
| 3. released | c. lucky |
| 4. lack | d. continuous |
| 5. blessed | e. award |
| 6. deterioration | f. die down |
| 7. demonstrations | g. absence |
| 8. ease | h. war |
| 9. conflict | i. in a row |
| 10. ongoing | j. worsening |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. Vienna has been named as the world's | a. in the Index |
| 2. It is the third year | b. one of the five categories |
| 3. a number of factors that | c. musical legacy |
| 4. "perfect" scores in all but | d. in the near future |
| 5. stunning architecture and a rich | e. running |
| 6. rose fractionally | f. unrest |
| 7. see a deterioration | g. over the past year |
| 8. civil unrest and demonstrations | h. most liveable city |
| 9. unlikely to ease | i. around the world |
| 10. civil | j. affect quality of life |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Vienna has been (1) _____ as the world's most liveable city. It is the third year (2) _____ the Austrian capital has won this accolade. The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) released its (3) _____ Global Liveability Index earlier this week. The Index ranked 173 cities worldwide on a (4) _____ of factors that affect quality of life. These include culture and environment, education, healthcare, (5) _____, and stability. Vienna was awarded "perfect" scores in all but one of the five categories. It failed to (6) _____ maximum points for culture, "owing to a lack of major sporting events". Vienna's two million residents are (7) _____ with stunning architecture and a rich musical (8) _____.

number
running
scoop
annual
legacy
named
blessed
infrastructure

The EIU said the average score for liveability in cities around the globe rose "(9) _____ over the past year". It cautioned that "risks to stability remain". It said: (10) _____ around the world could see a (11) _____ in the Index in coming years. Since we (12) _____ our survey, there have been more instances of civil unrest and demonstrations around the world, suggesting continuing stress on liveability, that is unlikely to (13) _____ in the near future." The CNBC website said: "The stability category recorded the biggest (14) _____ out of all five categories this year, held back by (15) _____ conflict, civil unrest, as well as the ongoing housing (16) _____ and crime seen across many cities."

ease
deterioration
crisis
fractionally
geopolitical
Tensions
conducted
decline

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

- 1) It is the third year running the Austrian capital has _____
 - a. won this acolyte
 - b. won this arcade
 - c. won this accolade
 - d. won this eco-laid
- 2) The Index ranked 173 cities worldwide on a number of factors _____
 - a. that effect quality
 - b. that affect quality
 - c. that infect quality
 - d. that confect quality
- 3) Vienna was awarded "perfect" scores in _____
 - a. all but once
 - b. all but won
 - c. all but one
 - d. albeit one
- 4) points for culture owing to a lack of _____
 - a. major sporting events
 - b. majorly sporting events
 - c. major sporting event
 - d. major sport in events
- 5) residents are blessed with stunning architecture and a _____
 - a. rich musically legacy
 - b. rich music all legacy
 - c. rich musical lethargy
 - d. rich musical legacy
- 6) The EIU said the average score for liveability in cities around _____
 - a. the globe arouse
 - b. the globe arose
 - c. the globe rise
 - d. the globe rose
- 7) It said: "Tensions around the world could see a deterioration in the Index _____"
 - a. incoming years
 - b. in coming year
 - c. incoming year
 - d. in coming years
- 8) Since we conducted our survey, there have _____
 - a. been more instance
 - b. been more instances
 - c. been more in stances
 - d. being more instances
- 9) around the world, suggesting continuing stress on liveability, that is _____
 - a. unlikely tease
 - b. unlikely tweeze
 - c. unlikely too easy
 - d. unlikely to ease
- 10) the biggest decline out of all five categories this year, held back _____
 - a. by geopolitical conflict
 - b. by geopolitical conduct
 - c. by geopolitical con flicked
 - d. by geopolitical genuflect

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The EIU said the average score for liveability in cities around the (7) _____ over the past year". It cautioned that "risks to stability remain". It said: "Tensions around the world could (8) _____ in the Index in coming years. Since we conducted our survey, there have been (9) _____ civil unrest and demonstrations around the world, suggesting continuing stress on liveability, that is unlikely (10) _____ the near future." The CNBC website said: "The stability category recorded the (11) _____ of all five categories this year, held back by geopolitical conflict, civil unrest, as well as the (12) _____ and crime seen across many cities."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

1. For how many years in a row has Vienna now won this accolade?
2. How many cities were part of the Global Liveability Index?
3. How many perfect scores did Vienna get?
4. What did Vienna lack in the culture category?
5. What is the population of Vienna?
6. By how much did the Global Liveability Index rise last year?
7. When could we see a deterioration in the Global Liveability Index?
8. What kind of unrest does the news article mention?
9. Which category saw the lowest scores?
10. What crisis did the CNBC website mention in the article?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

- 1) For how many years in a row has Vienna now won this accolade?
 - a) 2
 - b) 3
 - c) 4
 - d) 5
- 2) How many cities were part of the Global Liveability Index?
 - a) 187
 - b) 156
 - c) 137
 - d) 173
- 3) How many perfect scores did Vienna get?
 - a) 2
 - b) 3
 - c) 4
 - d) 5
- 4) What did Vienna lack in the culture category?
 - a) sports events
 - b) classical concerts
 - c) architecture
 - d) fashion shows
- 5) What is the population of Vienna?
 - a) 1.5 million
 - b) 2 million
 - c) 2.5 million
 - d) 3 million
- 6) By how much did the Global Liveability Index rise last year?
 - a) fractionally
 - b) a lot
 - c) significantly
 - d) negligibly
- 7) When could we see a deterioration in the Global Liveability Index?
 - a) very soon
 - b) next year
 - c) in the coming years
 - d) in the middle of the century
- 8) What kind of unrest does the news article mention?
 - a) civil unrest
 - b) industrial unrest
 - c) labour unrest
 - d) social unrest
- 9) Which category saw the lowest scores?
 - a) education
 - b) culture
 - c) healthcare
 - d) stability
- 10) What crisis did the CNBC website mention in the article?
 - a) an economic crisis
 - b) a banking crisis
 - c) a housing crisis
 - d) a currency crisis

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Role A – Vienna

You think Vienna is the best city to live in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their city isn't as liveable. Also, tell the others which is the least liveable of these (and why): Sydney, Cairo or Tokyo.

Role B – Sydney

You think Sydney is the best city to live in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their city isn't as liveable. Also, tell the others which is the least liveable of these (and why): Vienna, Cairo or Tokyo.

Role C – Cairo

You think Cairo is the best city to live in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their city isn't as liveable. Also, tell the others which is the least liveable of these (and why): Sydney, Vienna or Tokyo.

Role D – Tokyo

You think Tokyo is the best city to live in. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their city isn't as liveable. Also, tell the others which is the least liveable of these (and why): Sydney, Cairo or Vienna.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'global' and 'index'.

global	index

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• named• earlier• affect• include• all• two	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• rose• risks• instances• ease• held• crisis
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CITIES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Write five GOOD questions about cities in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

CITIES DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'global'?
3. What do you know about Vienna?
4. What do you think of the cities in your country?
5. What's the point of having a Global Liveability Index?
6. What are your favourite cities in the world?
7. How is your city for culture and the environment?
8. Would you like to live in your city forever?
9. How could your city be improved?
10. Is it time for people to leave cities and live in the countryside?

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CITIES DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'city'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. How stable is it where you live?
15. What tensions exist in your city?
16. Have you ever experienced instances of civil unrest?
17. How has geopolitical conflict affected you?
18. Do you ever worry about being a victim of crime?
19. How liveable is your city?
20. What questions would you like to ask the Index compilers?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. | (a) was | (b) has | (c) that's | (d) as |
| 2. | (a) happening | (b) going | (c) moving | (d) running |
| 3. | (a) effect | (b) affect | (c) infect | (d) reflect |
| 4. | (a) so | (b) that | (c) but | (d) however |
| 5. | (a) owing | (b) borrowing | (c) indebted | (d) following |
| 6. | (a) legacy | (b) agency | (c) fluency | (d) surrogacy |
| 7. | (a) fictionally | (b) fracture | (c) fractiously | (d) fractionally |
| 8. | (a) in | (b) on | (c) as | (d) up |
| 9. | (a) suggestive | (b) suggesting | (c) suggests | (d) suggested |
| 10. | (a) tease | (b) please | (c) ease | (d) appease |
| 11. | (a) around | (b) about | (c) out | (d) whole |
| 12. | (a) outgoing | (b) ongoing | (c) incoming | (d) homecoming |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. the Austrian capital has won this aceocdal
2. arcotsf that affect quality of life
3. healthcare, enfrtrrcsutuai, and stability
4. Vienna's two million inrsteesd
5. blessed with stunning tarcctiherue
6. a rich musical lgycea

Paragraph 2

7. rose acnalotrfiyl over the past year
8. a ieotrdaotrein in the Index
9. more instances of liciv unrest
10. dsnoioastremtn around the world
11. eesa in the near future
12. held back by leopiatilgoc conflict

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Vienna has been named as the world's most liveable city. It is the third year running the Austrian capital has won this
- () category recorded the biggest decline out of all five categories this year, held back by geopolitical conflict, civil
- () around the world could see a deterioration in the Index in coming years. Since we conducted our
- () survey, there have been more instances of civil unrest and demonstrations around the world, suggesting continuing
- () residents are blessed with stunning architecture and a rich musical legacy.
- () accolade. The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) released its annual Global Liveability Index earlier
- () awarded "perfect" scores in all but one of the five categories. It failed to scoop
- () maximum points for culture, "owing to a lack of major sporting events". Vienna's two million
- () of life. These include culture and environment, education, healthcare, infrastructure, and stability. Vienna was
- () this week. The Index ranked 173 cities worldwide on a number of factors that affect quality
- () unrest, as well as the ongoing housing crisis and crime seen across many cities."
- () "fractionally over the past year". It cautioned that "risks to stability remain". It said: "Tensions
- () The EIU said the average score for liveability in cities around the globe rose
- () stress on liveability, that is unlikely to ease in the near future." The CNBC website said: "The stability

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

1. as world's Named most city . the liveable
2. year the running Vienna third has won . It's
3. number factors of of affecting quality A life .
4. points It to maximum culture . for scoop failed
5. with Two stunning architecture . million blessed residents are
6. in cities . average liveability The score for
7. around a world the deterioration . Tensions could see
8. instances of and More civil demonstrations worldwide . unrest
9. five biggest all out of The decline categories .
10. well as crisis . As ongoing the housing

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2407/240701-global-liveability-index.html>

Vienna has been *naming / named* as the world's most liveable city. It is the third year *running / ran* the Austrian capital has won this *acolyte / accolade*. The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) released its annual Global Liveability Index earlier *this / that* week. The Index ranked 173 cities worldwide on a number of factors that *affect / effect* quality of life. These include culture and environment, education, healthcare, *structural / infrastructure*, and stability. Vienna was awarded "perfect" scores in *all / every* but one of the five categories. It failed to *scoop / scrape* maximum points for culture, "owing to a *luck / lack* of major sporting events". Vienna's two million residents are blessed with stunning architecture and a rich musical *profligacy / legacy*.

The EIU said the average score *to / for* liveability in cities around *a / the* globe rose "fractionally over the past year". It cautioned that "*risks / risked* to stability remain". It said: "Tensions around the world could see *the / a* deterioration in the Index in coming years. Since we conducted our survey, there have been more *instances / instant* of civil unrest and demonstrations around the world, *suggestive / suggesting* continuing stress on liveability, that is unlikely to ease *in / on* the near future." The CNBC website said: "The stability category recorded the biggest *decline / incline* out of all five categories this year, held back *by / to* geopolitical conflict, civil unrest, as well as the *outgoing / ongoing* housing crisis and crime seen across many cities."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct. Look up the definition of new words.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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V__nn_ h_s b__n n_m_d _s th_ w_rld's m_st l_v__bl_ c_ty. _t _s th_ th_rd y__r r_nn_ng th_ __str__n c_p_t_l h_s w_n th_s _cc_l_d_. Th_ _c_n_m_st _nt_ll_g_nc_ _n_t (___) r_l__s_d _ts _nn__l Gl_b_l L_v__b_l_ty _nd_x __r_l__r th_s w__k. Th_ _nd_x r_nk_d 173 c_t__s w_rldw_d_ _n _ n_mb_r _f f_ct_rs th_t _ff_ct q__l_ty _f l_f_. Th_s_ _ncl_d_ c_lt_r_ _nd _nv_r_nm_nt, _d_c_t__n, h__lthc_r_, _nfr_strct_r_, _nd st_b_l_ty. V__nn_ w_s _w_rdd "p_rf_ct" sc_r_s _n _ll b_t _n_ _f th_ f_v_ c_t_g_r__s. _t f__l_d t_ sc__p m_x_m_m p__nts f_r c_lt_r_, "_w_ng t_ _ l_ck _f m_j_r sp_rtn_g _v_nts". V__nn_'s tw_ m_ll__n r_s_d_nts _r_ bl_ss_d w_th st_nn_ng _rch_t_ct_r_ _nd _ r_ch m_s_c_l l_g_cy.

Th_ ___ s__d th_ _v_r_g_ sc_r_ f_r l_v__b_l_ty _n c_t__s _r__nd th_ gl_b_ r_s_ "fr_ct__n_lly _v_r th_ p_st y__r". _t c__t__n_d th_t "r_sks t_ st_b_l_ty r_m__n". _t s__d: T_ns__ns _r__nd th_ w_rld c__ld s__ _ d_t_r__r_t__n _n th_ _nd_x _n c_m_ng y__rs. S_nc_ w_ c_nd_ct_d __r s_rv_y, th_r_ h_v_ b__n m_r_ _nst_nc_s _f c_v_l _nr_st _nd d_m_nstr_t__ns _r__nd th_ w_rld, s_gg_st_ng c_nt_n__ng str_ss _n l_v__b_l_ty, th_t _s _nl_k_ly t_ __s_ _n th_ n__r f_t_r_." Th_ CNBC w_bs_t_ s__d: "Th_ st_b_l_ty c_t_g_ry r_c_rdd th_ b_gg_st d_cl_n_ __t _f _ll f_v_ c_t_g_r__s th_s y__r, h_ld b_ck by g__p_l_t_c_l c_nfl_ct, c_v_l _nr_st, _s w_ll _s th_ _ng__ng h__s_ng cr_s_s _nd cr_m_ s__n _cr_ss m_ny c_t__s."

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. CITIES: Make a poster about cities. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. VILLAGES: Write a magazine article about people moving from cities to villages to help the environment. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on cities. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to make cities better. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. e 3. d 4. a 5. f 6. g 7. b
8. k 9. h 10. i 11. n 12. m 13. j 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- 1 F 2 F 3 T 4 F 5 F 6 T 7 T 8 F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. i	2. e	3. b	4. g	5. c
6. j	7. a	8. f	9. h	10. d

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Three
- 173
- Four
- Major sporting events
- Two million
- Fractionally
- In the coming years
- Civil unrest
- Stability
- A housing crisis

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.19)

- Named as the world's most liveable city.
- It's the third year running Vienna has won.
- A number of factors affecting quality of life.
- It failed to scoop maximum points for culture.
- Two million residents are blessed with stunning architecture.
- The average score for liveability in cities.
- Tensions around the world could see a deterioration.
- More instances of civil unrest and demonstrations worldwide.
- The biggest decline out of all five categories.
- As well as the ongoing housing crisis.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. d 3. c 4. a 5. b 6. a 7. c 8. a 9. d 10. c

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)