

4 Underline the alternative which is not possible.

- 1 I did a lot of / some / many work today.
- 2 I haven't got much / many / any money.
- 3 Can you give me a few / some / a little bit of advice?
- 4 I found some / a lot of / a bit information on the Internet.
- 5 There aren't many / some / any animals in this circus.
- 6 I got some / a / the job.
- 7 We're buying some / a lot of / many furniture tomorrow.
- 8 Have you heard any / the / a few news?
- 9 We didn't eat any / much / many chocolate last Christmas.
- 10 I haven't spoken to a lot / many / much people today.

Vocabulary | describing a place

5 a Put the underlined letters in the correct order to make a word.

- 1 I went on a matironc holiday last weekend with my husband. *romantic*
- 2 It's a totally oilunpst place – there are no buildings or roads at all. *unspoilt*
- 3 The area round the lake was so quiet and fupaecel. *peaceful*
- 4 I think it's the perfect place to go on holiday – just llyidic. *idyllic*
- 5 It's a really cwderod bar. There are far too many people there. *crowded*
- 6 They said it was a lovely hotel but very oinys. They could hear the traffic all night. *noisy*
- 7 When I'm really busy and stressed I often go on a rxinelag weekend in the country. *relaxing*
- 8 It's a really inecixtg city – there's so much to do and see! *exciting*
- 9 It's a ebifuautl part of the country, with lovely mountains and lakes. *beautiful*
- 10 The river is very mpsiresive, it's so fast and wide here. *impressive*
- 11 It's a really asplaent place to eat outside beside the river. *pleasant*
- 12 It's a really lwid part of the country, *wild* there are no houses or buildings near.

b Complete the text below with the best words from exercise 5a.

I've lived in lots of different places, in the city and out in the countryside. The first place I bought was actually a flat, right in the centre of London. A great place to live but I found it difficult to get to sleep at night because it was so (1) *noisy*. I loved it though, London is a really fast-moving, (2) *beautiful* city and the buildings and monuments are really (3) *exciting*. There are so many people in the streets that it sometimes feels too (4) *crowded* but it is still my favourite city. Anyway, I lived in London for a few years and then decided to move out to the country because I needed to live somewhere quieter and more (5) *peaceful* as I needed to concentrate on my writing. I found a cottage in an (6) *unspoilt* valley with no other houses around. The valley was really (7) *unspoilt* – it had lovely trees and fields. It was so (8) *relaxing* after the stress of the big city. The countryside and mountains around the house were very (9) *wild* and even a bit dangerous to walk in on your own, especially in winter. But in summer it was really (10) *idyllic* in the evenings to sit outside and watch the sun go down. After two years there I moved back to the city, Manchester this time but I kept the cottage in the country. I still go there sometimes with my wife for (11) *romantic* weekends. At the moment I'm trying to buy another house, but this time by the sea. I want to find an (12) *idyllic* place near the ocean but it's very expensive.



c Make a list of places in your country which could be described by the adjectives from exercise 5a.

Pronunciation | diphthongs

6 a Look at the underlined sounds in these words and write the words in the correct columns.

area crowded disappear exciting local place
tour unspoilt

/eɪ/	/aɪ/	/ɔɪ/	/əʊ/	/aʊ/	/ɪə/	/eə/	/ʊə/

b 20 Listen and check your answers. Repeat the words.

romantic city centre (Prague)
unspoilt national park Šumava
peaceful cliffs (north)
idyllic ~~fast~~ countryside (Moravia)
crowded Prague's Karlín
noisy highways / relaxing green zones
wild forests

Vocabulary | urban environment

1 Choose the correct alternative.

- I go to the sports stadium/leisure centre every week to an aerobics class.
- My wife bought me the book in the local library/book shop.
- I had a great three course lunch in the Italian restaurant/café yesterday.
- She was dancing in the bar/nightclub till three in the morning.
- After the accident he was taken to the emergency ward at the hospital/doctor's surgery.
- 'Have you seen what films are on at the cinema/theatre this week?'
- There's an exhibition of paintings on at the town museum/art gallery.
- I started school/college at 9:00 a.m. when I was ten.

2 Put the correct words in the crossword using the clues below.

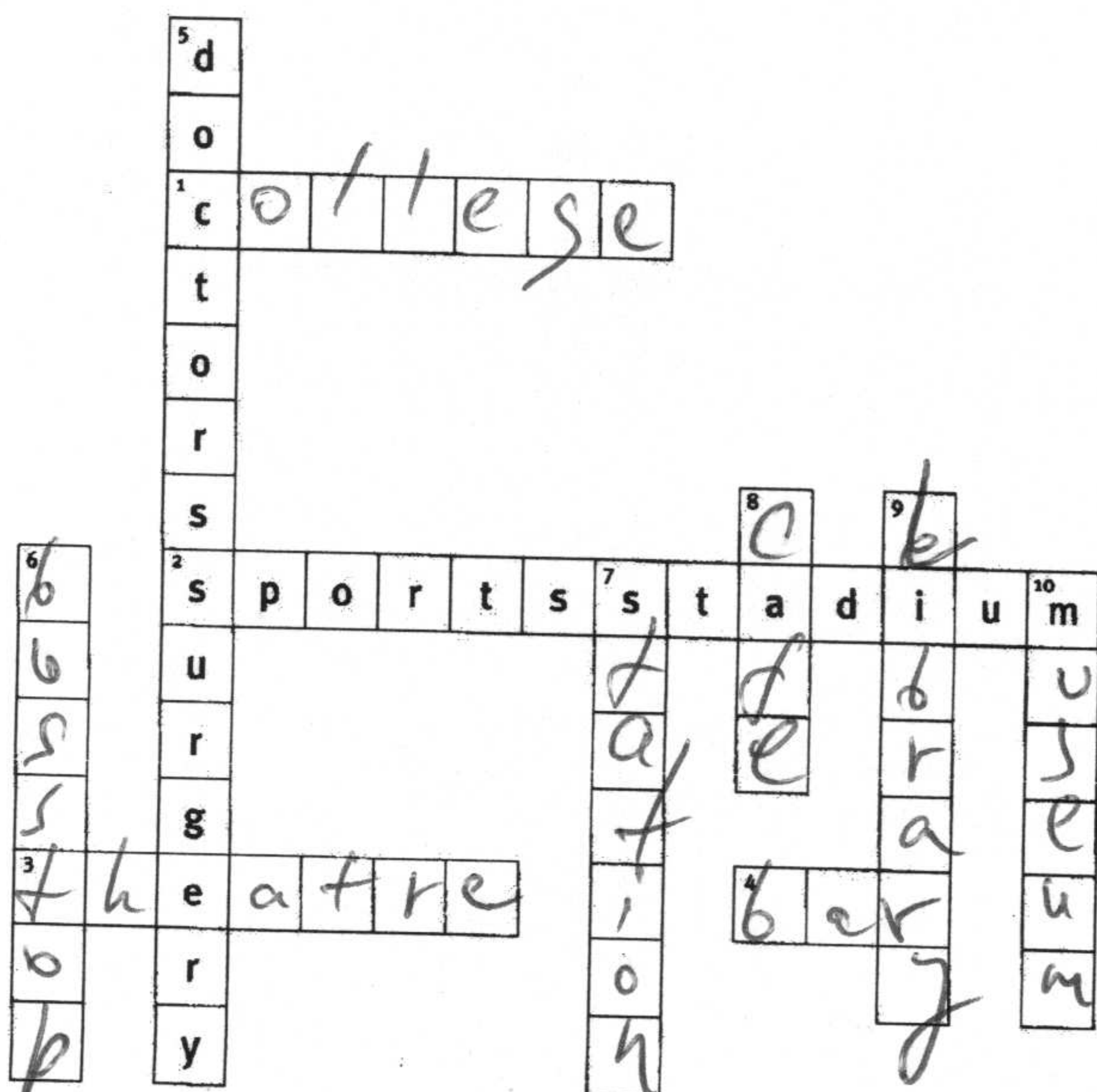
A place where ...

Across

- ... you study when you finish school.
- ... big sports events are held. sports stadium
- ... you can see a play.
- ... you can buy alcoholic drinks.

Down

- ... you can see a doctor. doctor's surgery
- ... people catch a bus at the side of the road.
- ... trains arrive and leave from.
- ... you can get tea or coffee, drinks and snacks.
- ... you can borrow books.
- ... you can see historical or scientific objects.



Grammar | too, too much/many, (not) enough

3 Complete the sentences using too, too much, too many or enough.

- It's too crowded for me in the city. I prefer the country.
- There are too many people on the beach today.
- There aren't enough buses. We always have to wait.
- There is too much noise in here. I'm going to work next door.
- It's too hot in the office. Can you turn on the air-conditioning?
- I'm sorry, but I didn't have enough money to buy you a drink.
- I have got too much homework to do. I'll never finish it by tomorrow!
- There are too many TV channels. I can never decide which one to watch.

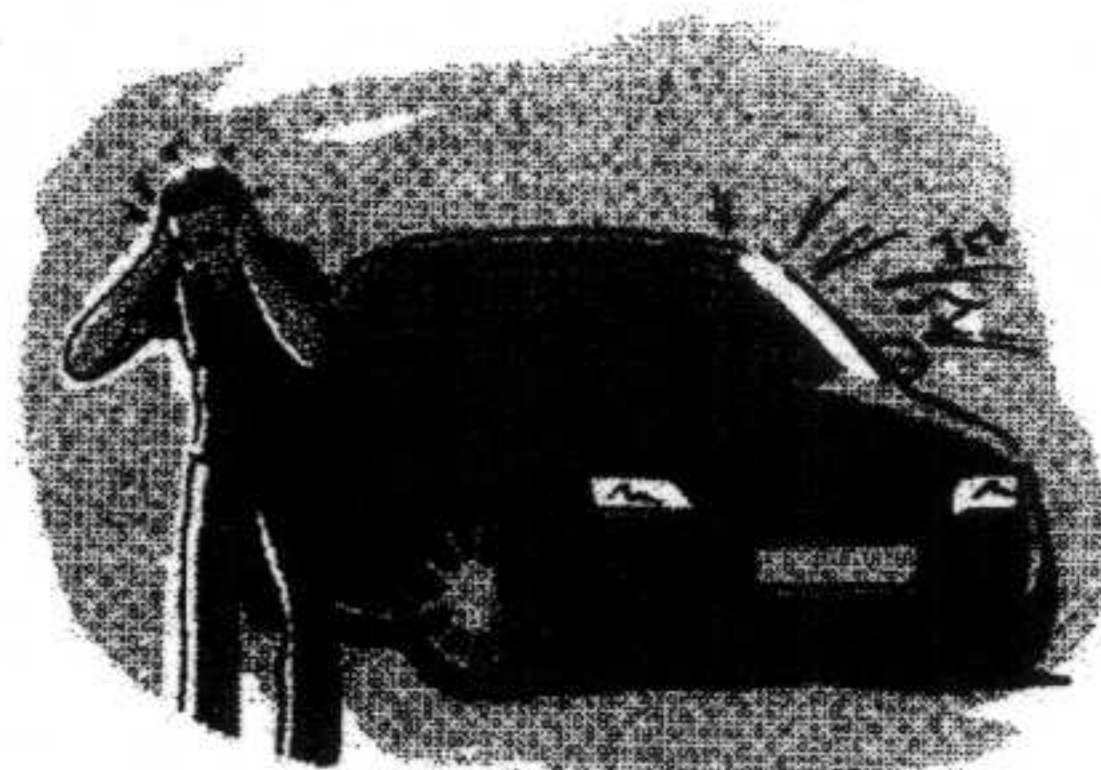
4 Look at the pictures. Complete the sentences using too or enough and words from the box.

crowded loud money small suitcases tall

- The music is too loud.



- He isn't tall enough.



- They have got too many suitcases.



- He hasn't got enough money to buy food.



- The train is too crowded.



- His jacket is too small for him.



5 Complete the sentences using *too*, *enough*, *too many*, *too much* and the words in brackets.

- 1 I'm not going to play football tonight. I'm too (tired) *hard enough*
- 2 You are not working hard enough. You won't pass your exams. (hard)
- 3 He spends too much on the computer. He never goes out. (time)
- 4 We would like to buy a new car, but it is too (expensive) *many*
- 5 Those children eat too many. It's not good for them. (hamburgers)
- 6 I want to write to them in Russian, but my Russian is not enough (good) *enough*
- 7 The film was really boring. It was too (long)
- 8 We didn't go into the museum, because there were too many (people)
- 9 I can't speak to her now. I am too (busy)
- 10 You can't come into this club. You are not enough (old) *enough*

Reading

6 Read the interview about the perfect city and mark the sentences true (T), false (F) or no information (NI).

- 1 The perfect city is not by the sea. *F*
- 2 There should be places for people to ice-skate in the city in the winter. *T*
- 3 There are small avenues in the perfect city. *T*
- 4 In the perfect city you can pay for bicycles on the corner of big streets. *F (NI)*
- 5 The perfect city has an airport quite near the centre. *F*
- 6 Restaurants in the perfect city should only offer food from the country the city is in. *F*
- 7 A perfect city has lots of big sports stadiums. *NI*

Interviewer: The perfect city doesn't exist. But if you could design the perfect city, what would it be like? Well here to tell us is Sean Richards, an expert on town planning. Sean, tell us about the perfect city.

Sean: Well, first of all it would be on the coast. There are some great cities which are not by the sea, but in general people love the influence the sea brings to a city. They also love being able to go to the beach! It would also have mountains nearby – great for walking trips or even skiing in the winter.

Interviewer: OK, that is the location. But what does it look like?

Sean: The perfect city should be a mix of big wide avenues and small, old side streets. It should also have squares for people to sit down and enjoy a drink in the sunshine. In the perfect city I'd like areas only for pedestrians, if possible in the city centre. Apart from streets for cars, cities should have wide pavements for people to walk down and bicycle paths for people to cycle on. There should be free bicycles too, which people can collect at the corner of big streets – because cycling is a cheap and healthy way to travel. An underground train and a good bus service are also vital because people need to be able to travel quickly to their jobs. There should be an airport a maximum of thirty minutes from the city centre.

Interviewer: And what about entertainment in the city?

Sean: Well, a perfect city must have museums and art galleries with important works of art. I'd also need theatres and cinemas, pubs and restaurants which offer different types of cuisine from all over the world. There should be green spaces too, with lots of areas for children to play in and places for people to play sports in too.

Interviewer: OK, Sean, just one question. Is all this possible?

Sean: Perhaps not, but you all probably know a city with at least some of these characteristics.

