

## Article Exercise 8

Fill in the blanks with a, an or the. If no article is needed, put an X in the blank. The first one has been done for you.

I live in (1) X Athens and my country has got (2) \_\_\_\_\_ hot, Mediterranean climate.

On a sunny day, the temperature often reaches more than 35 degrees. (3) \_\_\_\_\_ food is great and (4) \_\_\_\_\_ people are friendly. One of my favourite things is having (5) \_\_\_\_\_ typically Greek meal in (6) \_\_\_\_\_ local restaurant.

(7) \_\_\_\_\_ Greece is (8) \_\_\_\_\_ very beautiful country and there are hundreds of lovely places but my favourite beauty spot is (9) \_\_\_\_\_ island of (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Santorini.

Arriving there by (11) \_\_\_\_\_ boat is a great experience! Lots of (12) \_\_\_\_\_ tourists go there because there is (13) \_\_\_\_\_ nice atmosphere and there are always a lot of people walking around the streets or sitting on (14) \_\_\_\_\_ terraces of (15) \_\_\_\_\_ cafes.

(16) \_\_\_\_\_ biggest problem in Athens is (17) \_\_\_\_\_ traffic, and the smog in summer can be bad. I am worried about the future of (18) \_\_\_\_\_ planet and I think we should recycle more and introduce days where cars are banned, for example on (19) \_\_\_\_\_ Mondays and (20) \_\_\_\_\_ Fridays. In my family, we recycle at home, walk whenever possible and we don't travel by (21) \_\_\_\_\_ car to get around the city. Despite this, I think (22) \_\_\_\_\_ Greeks are so lucky to live in such a great city.

## Article Exercise 9

Fill in the blanks with a, an or the. If no article is needed, put an X in the blank. The first one has been done for you.

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ Working hours in (2) \_\_\_\_\_ South Korea are some of (3) \_\_\_\_\_ longest in (4) \_\_\_\_\_ world. People often stay in (5) \_\_\_\_\_ office until 9 o'clock at night and nobody leaves before (6) \_\_\_\_\_ boss. So when (7) \_\_\_\_\_ public holiday comes around, there's a desperate need to get out of the city, and in South Korea this means travelling by (8) \_\_\_\_\_ car. This often means (9) \_\_\_\_\_ long day spent waiting in (10) \_\_\_\_\_ traffic.

A quarter of (11) \_\_\_\_\_ nation's population lives in (12) \_\_\_\_\_ Seoul, and on summer public holidays, the number of cars driving out of (13) \_\_\_\_\_ capital is enough to be on (14) \_\_\_\_\_ front pages of the newspapers.

Most people head to (15) \_\_\_\_\_ coast or to (16) \_\_\_\_\_ cool, mountains in the north, particularly when the public holiday creates the chance for (17) \_\_\_\_\_ long weekend. This little holiday is even more important because (18) \_\_\_\_\_ South Koreans don't normally have holidays. It is very important there to work hard and not take (19) \_\_\_\_\_ holidays. It's ok to have perhaps (20) \_\_\_\_\_ Friday or Monday off work, but not longer periods.