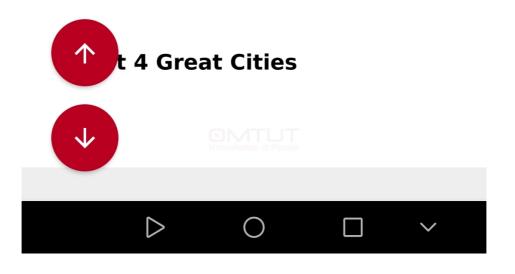


To give as presents with best wishes.





1 Talib the Tired Traveller.

When I started in Muscat,

I was really excited.

When I went to Hong Kong,

My ticket was wrong.

When I was in Beijing,

I lost my ring.

When I got to Marrakesh,

My bags were a mess.

When I got to Alice Springs,

I lost all my things.

When I reached Istanbul,

The hotels were full.

When I was in Khartoum,

I lost the key to my room.

When I got to Amsterdam,

I caught the wrong tram.

l arrived in Mumbai, ne couldn't fly. reached Warsaw,

My feet were red and sore.















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When I got to Bangkok,

I got a big shock.

When I got to Rome,

I decided to go home.

When I got home to Muscat,

I decided to relax.

Which lines of Talib's poem don't rhyme?

- 1- My bags were a mess.
- 2-I decided to relax

2 Read what they have written and answer the questions below.

1 I live in Mexico City. It's the capital of Mexico, which is located in Central America. Mexico City has a population of 20 million people and is built on the ruins of a much older city called Tenochtitlan. As you can imagine with all these people, it can be busy and noisy and there is a lot of pollution and dirt. The traffic can be terrible at times and causes smog, which is a cloud of smoke that can sometimes make it difficult to breathe. That's why City is known as the most polluted city in the world.

h the pollution is bad, there are many good things about City. For example, there is a wonderful underground train abway which can get you to many interesting places. I enjoy going to the Museo del Nino or the Children's Museum which has















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lots of things you can play with. Then there is the castle on Grasshopper Hill that used to be the home of Emperor Maximilian. You can always escape city life by going to Chapultepec Park, which has a forest and beautiful gardens to walk and play in, although in the summer it's too hot. However, the cooler winters are very nice.

2 I am from Calgary, Canada. Although many large cities can be dirty, a recent survey found Calgary to be one of the cleanest cities in the world, with the lowest air pollution and the cleanest rubbish-free environment. Calgary is the second largest city in Canada but only has a population of around 800,000 people. It has an area of 721km2. Calgary is located on the banks of the Bow River, 1,048m above sea level and 250km north of the border between Canada and the USA. You can get a great view of the city from the Calgary Tower, which is 191m high. Calgary was founded in the 19th century. Although it is a young city, it was famous enough to hold The Olympic Winter Games in 1988.

Every July, the city gets really busy with the biggest cowboy show in the world when people ride horses and cows and wear white cowboy hats, colorful shirts and jeans. With all the visitors, it's easy to make new friends in the warm summers. However, it's more difficult to meet people in the long, cold winter months!

3 Tokyo is one of the greatest cities in the world. It is the world's largest city, with a population of 33 million people who live in an about 580km2. Tokyo is called a metropolis because it is t is made up of 23 smaller cities, 5 towns and 8 villages. It is many large cities can be difficult but it's quite easy to ound Tokyo on the subway, train or buses. Tokyo is located on the island of Honshu in Japan and has lots for the visitor to see and do. There is the Imperial Palace where the Emperor lives,















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Hama Rikyu Park, which is an old Japanese garden and the Tokyo tower which is 333m tall. There are also 600 shops in Ginza and Electric City, although all that shopping can be tiring. You may want to take a rest in one of the many restaurants instead!

4 I live in Reykjavik, which is the capital city of Iceland and the most northerly capital city in the world. It has a population of 178,000 people. Reykjavik is a cold place to live, with winter temperatures of –1°C and summer temperatures of around 11°C, so if you come and visit remember to bring warm clothes to wear. The weather is cold, although you can keep warm by visiting one of the many famous swimming pools, or Hot Pots. Here you can enjoy the natural hot water that comes up from the centre of the earth with temperatures of 44°C. A Hot Pot bath can make you lazy. However, an active alternative is to go for a walk or a horse ride. Also, we have many festivals like Bun Day and Bursting Day when everyone eats and drinks as much as they can.

1. Which is the largest city?

Tokyo is the largest city.

2. Which is the most northerly city?

Reykjavik is the most northerly city.

3. Which is one of the cleanest cities?

Pry is one of the cleanest cities.

h is the coldest city?

5. Which is one of the dirtiest cities?











