

A Teen Living in London



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- 2) Dave goes jogging every Sunday morning with his friends. T / F
- 3) Dave is really into theatres, museums or galleries. T / F
- 4) Although London is plenty of restaurants, Dave cannot afford them. T / F
- 5) Most people use public transport because drivers must pay to drive into the centre of London. T / F
- 6) The driving tax in central London has improved the environmental conditions in the city. T / F



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- 1) What do Dave and his friends do at the weekends when they hang around in Barnet?
- 2) What sort of festival is going to be held next week in London?
- 3) How does he get to Leicester Square?
- 4) Has the presenter's opinion about London changed after the interview?



3.

Now complete these sentences from the interview with the missing words.

- 1) The presenter thinks London is a _____, _____, _____ city to live in.
- 2) At the weekend the park in Barnet is crowded with _____, _____ and _____.
- 3) London is famous for its _____.
- 4) Drivers aren't spending hours stuck in _____ jams nowadays.



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isn't (that's not really his thing)
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- What do Dave and his friends do at the weekends when they hang around in Barnet?
They go to cinemas and clubs. They also go to the park and play football.
- What sort of festival is going to be held next week in London?
There will be an international jazz festival.
- How does he get to Leicester Square?
He goes there by bus or tube.
- Has the presenter's opinion about London changed after the interview?
Yes, it has.



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Now complete these sentences from the interview with the missing words.

- The presenter thinks London is a **big**, **crowded**, **polluted** city to live in.
- At the weekend the park in Barnet is crowded with **joggers**, **rollerbladers** and **footballers**.
- London is famous for its **entertainment**.
- Drivers aren't spending hours stuck in **traffic** jams nowadays.





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Presenter: Good afternoon and welcome to *You and Your City*. Every week we speak to a teenager from a different in the UK. Tonight we're speaking to 17-year-old Dave, who lives in London. Hi, Dave.

Dave: Hi, Tim.

Presenter: Dave, everyone knows that London is an exciting city for tourists, but to be honest, when I think of London, I think of a big, crowded, polluted city! So what's it like for a teenager living there?

Dave: Oh, London is a great city to live in. I live in North London, in an area called Barnet. I study at a local school and at the weekend, like all teenagers, hang around with my friends.

Presenter: What do you do?

Dave: Lots of things. We go to the cinema and to clubs. There are some really trendy clubs in my area. But what I like most about living in Barnet is the park. At the weekend the park is crowded with joggers, rollerbladers and footballers. In fact, I play football there every Sunday morning with my mates.

Presenter: What else do you enjoy doing?

Dave: Well, London's famous for its entertainment. There's always a music – or street festival on somewhere. I really enjoy those kinds of festivals. Actually, next week there's going to be an international jazz festival here. And if you're into theatre, museums or galleries, there are plenty of those around. But to be honest, that's not really my thing! Oh, and of course there are lots of good restaurants – but they're too expensive for me!

Presenter: Do you ever go into central London?

Dave: Oh, sure! I've got friends in other areas of London, too. We usually meet in Leicester Square. It's an amazing place.

Presenter: How do you get there? Do you drive?

Dave: No, I usually travel by bus or tube because public transport in London is really good.

Presenter: I've heard that people are using public transport more because drivers now have to pay to drive into central London.

Dave: Oh yeah, my dad complains about that. But it's really improved the problem of air and noise pollution in London. And drivers aren't spending hours stuck in traffic jams.

Presenter: Well, Dave, it sounds like London isn't a bad place to live! I'll try to be more positive about it from now on!

Dave: Yeah, thanks for inviting me to appear on your programme. Bye.

