

**D. Read the writing task below and use the ideas to complete the mind map.**

You read this article in a local newspaper. Write a letter to the editor expressing your views.

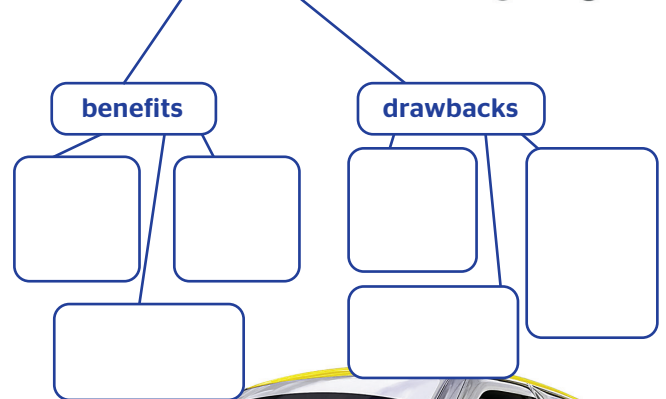
A major environmental issue our city is facing is pollution. This problem has been getting worse and worse over the past ten years and residents are asking the authorities to come up with acceptable solutions to solve the problem. One solution is to introduce a system of carpooling where people would share a car with other people on regular journeys instead of driving alone. Is it a good idea? Write to us and tell us what you think.



**Think about**

- the traffic
- the pollution
- how easy it is to find people to travel with
- the time needed to pick up people and drop them off
- the money spent on petrol
- the privacy you have

# CARPOOLING



**E. Use the mind map to write the missing paragraphs.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm writing in response to an article I recently read in your newspaper about carpooling. I was very interested to read about this solution to the problem of pollution in our city and I would like to express my views on the topic.

First of all, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

On the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

In conclusion, I do not think the disadvantages are serious, so I believe that introducing the system of carpooling is a wonderful idea.

Yours faithfully,

*Peter Costner*  
 Peter Costner

## A. Complete the text with the correct form of the words in capitals.



Malbork is a small (1) \_\_\_\_\_ town in northern Poland. Although Malbork is an (2) \_\_\_\_\_ and pleasant place to visit, it isn't a (3) \_\_\_\_\_ famous town. However, it does have one claim to fame. Malbork Castle, which is in the town, is the largest castle in the world by area. Construction of the castle started in 1274 and an (4) \_\_\_\_\_ 232 years later, the castle was completed. It is located on the river Nogat, which was (5) \_\_\_\_\_ for access and trade, and its size made it the perfect place for Medieval Kings to live a (6) \_\_\_\_\_ lifestyle. Today the castle is as (7) \_\_\_\_\_ as it was when it was built. It attracts many visitors and it is a very important (8) \_\_\_\_\_ site. There is a fascinating museum in the castle which holds many (9) \_\_\_\_\_ treasures from the castle's long history. If you're ever in Poland and you're looking for an (10) \_\_\_\_\_ place to go, then Malbork is definitely worth a visit.

PEACE

ENJOY

PARTICULAR

ASTONISH

BENEFIT

LUXURY

IMPRESS

CULTURE

VALUE

FORGET

## B. Choose a, b, c or d.

- The dogs ran into the field and started chasing a \_\_\_\_\_ of sheep.  
a. herd                      b. flock                      c. pack                      d. swarm
- It was only later that we discovered that James had \_\_\_\_\_ up the whole story.  
a. turned                      b. given                      c. ended                      d. made
- Dave found a lot of old \_\_\_\_\_ at the back of his cupboard. But he didn't know whether to throw it away or not.  
a. junk                      b. waste                      c. rubbish                      d. litter
- Cutting down the forest will destroy the \_\_\_\_\_ habitat of many animals.  
a. coastal                      b. natural                      c. cultural                      d. atmosphere
- Karina has given \_\_\_\_\_ trying to teach Alice Ukrainian.  
a. out                      b. up                      c. down                      d. over

## C. Choose a, b or c.

- I don't know which handbag \_\_\_\_\_ with me to the theatre tonight.  
a. take                      b. taking                      c. to take
- The oil spill was \_\_\_\_\_ bad! Thousands of sea birds died.  
a. such                      b. how                      c. so
- A: I left a bag of clothes here and went inside. Now it's gone!  
B: The dustmen \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
a. must have taken                      b. should have taken                      c. would have taken
- Ronda is thinking of \_\_\_\_\_ the bird sanctuary tomorrow afternoon.  
a. to visit                      b. visiting                      c. visit
- \_\_\_\_\_ amazing animals you can find at the zoo!  
a. How                      b. What                      c. Such
- You \_\_\_\_\_ a school of whales, because they don't exist in this part of the sea.  
a. shouldn't have seen                      b. needn't have seen                      c. can't have seen
- You should \_\_\_\_\_ of those batteries properly, you know.  
a. dispose                      b. disposing                      c. to dispose
- The Knock Nevis was \_\_\_\_\_ a large tanker! It took over five miles to come to a stop.  
a. so                      b. how                      c. such

