

THE ETERNAL CITY ▶ 02

1 Work with a partner and discuss the statements.

- 1 Life in big cities is lonely.
- 2 Cities are where new ideas are formed.
- 3 It is healthier to live in the countryside than in a city.

2 ▶ 02 Watch the video and number the cities in the order they are mentioned.



3 ▶ 02 Read the sentences. Watch the video again and complete the gaps with the correct word or phrase. Do not write more than four words in each gap.

- 1 The of life in places like New York and Berlin offers a magnetic pull.
- 2 Cities are where things
- 3 Cities first appeared long before our high-rise buildings and
- 4 It was the which saw the growth of the first urban settlements.
- 5 It wasn't until Rome, in the first millennium BCE, that lived in a city.
- 6 In twelfth-century Italy and Germany, cities began to develop into
- 7 By the nineteenth century, London had become the world's biggest and city.
- 8 Over the past hundred years, cities have
- 9 Our huge modern cities have
- 10 We may simply be waiting for the – the ones we will build on Mars.



ABOUT YOU

4 Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions.

- 1 What kind of things do you think cause some cities in the world to grow so quickly?
- 2 What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in very large cities?
- 3 Should cities have some areas where cars are banned? Why? / Why not?