

A.....  
 For many people, life is about working and having a lot of money and possessions. Without these things, your life isn't supposed to be very good. Some people disagree, however, Paul Cortez is one young person who lives an 'alternative lifestyle'.

**Where does he live?**

Paul lives in a very expensive city, London, but he doesn't mind not having money. He stays in a squat\*. It's not his home and he doesn't pay rent money. In many countries, this is not allowed, but in the UK, it's not illegal. He normally spends less than £1 a day.

B.....  
 Paul doesn't use public transport, and he hasn't got a car. He always rides a bicycle. 'It's cold in winter but I prefer it,' he says.

C.....  
 Paul doesn't have a paid job, but he's not bored. He is allowed to study very cheaply, because he hasn't got a job. He also works at a charity shop. He meets some fascinating people there.

D.....  
 Paul says that local cafés and supermarkets throw a lot of food, and he eats this. On a typical day, he has sandwiches and fresh fruit. Does he miss his favourite food and drinks? 'Well, a really good coffee, may be!'

\*Squat: a squat is a home with squatters in it. A squatter lives in somebody else's home, without permission, and without paying any money. You can do this in the UK, until the home owner tells you to leave.

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**I. COMPREHENSION :** **(6pts)**

A- the text is about: (tick the correct answer) : (1pt)

- a typical London lifestyle       an expensive lifestyle       living without money

B-Match questions 1-4 with paragraphs A-C (2pts )

- 1- How does Paul travel? .....
- 2- What do people want from life? .....
- 3- What about food? .....
- 4- What does he do all day? .....

C-answer the following questions (3pts)

1- what city does Paul live in?

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2- How does he feel about having no money?

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3-where does Paul get his food?

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