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Lonely in London



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Presenter

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Sam

Hi, I'm Sam.

Phil

And I'm Phil. Welcome!

Presenter

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- ሀ) የናይጄሪያ ሌጎስ
- ለ) የዩኤዎ ለንደን
- ሐ) የሕንድ ዴልሂ

Phil

Well, I live in London, and it's definitely big – but I haven't been to Delhi, or Lagos... and I'd love to, they look like really interesting places. But, I don't know. Uhm, what do you think, Sam?

Sam

Well, I've been to Delhi and I think it's great, but I don't know which is bigger.

Presenter

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News insert

More than a quarter of Londoners say they feel lonely often or all of the time, according to a survey commissioned by BBC London. Research company Populus interviewed 1,000 adults in London for the poll. And while the majority said they had someone in London who could help them in a crisis, a third said they felt they did not know their neighbours and 28% said there was little or no sense of community where they live.

Presenter

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Sam

I live in London, and that just means I'm always busy! I think I'd prefer to live somewhere where people have time for each other.

Phil

But living in a big city means you meet so many people, it's so vibrant.

Presenter

“Vibrant” የተሟሟቀ ማለት ነው። So you like the fact that lots of things are happening?

Phil

Yeah, whatever you like doing, you can do it here. The place is just full of opportunities, you know what I mean?

Presenter

I know exactly what you mean – opportunities መልካም ዕድሎች ናቸው። Do you manage to take advantage of the opportunities?

Phil

Yeah, sort of, I've done lots of things. And I've met lots of people.

Presenter

Yes, big cities provide lots of opportunities. So, Sam you must agree with that, right?

Sam

Uhm, let's look at this a different way... Phil, how often exactly do you do those things? And these new people... do you see any of them a second time?

Phil

Oh, all the time... and I meet up with loads of people.

Sam

No, but really... how often...?

Phil

Let me see... erm... well.... You know.... I go to some kind of event at least every couple of months, and there's a couple of people I've met more than once.

Presenter

That's not really 'all the time'... is it?

Sam

Well, you see – that's the thing, cities are vibrant and full of opportunities... but most people don't take those opportunities – and it's hard to get to know people well when the population is transient.

Phil

Transient?

Presenter

Transient ጊዜያዊ ማለት ነው።

Phil

So, it means people are always moving in or out of a city?

Sam

Or moving around the city – groups of friends can end up being very dispersed.

Presenter

Yes, dispersed. የተበታተነ ማለት ነው።

Sam

Yes, and that's why people get lonely in cities like London, Lagos or Delhi. People's friends are dispersed over a wide area.

Presenter

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Phil

So, Delhi's bigger than London? Imagine all the opportunities I could have there.

Sam

Well, maybe we can see if we can get you a transfer, Phil.

Presenter

Phil is very excited about all the opportunities he could have!

እርስዎስ? እርስዎ በሚኖሩበት ስፍራ “opportunities” አሉ? በአካባቢዎ ሰዎች “transient” እና “dispersed” ናቸው? የዚህ ሳምንት ዝግጅታችንን አጠናቅቀን ከመሰናበታችን በፊት ዛሬ ስናወራባቸው የነበሩትን ቃላት አንዴ እናንሳ-ሁሉም ከከተሞች ጋር የተገናኙ ናቸው። Vibrant” የተሟሟቀ ማለት ሲሆን “opportunities” ደግሞ መልካም የሥራ ዕድሎች ናቸው። “transient” ጊዜያዊ ማለት ሲሆን “dispersed” ደግሞ ተበታትኖ ያለ እንደሚለት ነው። አብረውን ስለቆዩ እናመሰግናለን፤ ለተጨማሪ የ English Together ዝግጅት በሚቀጥለው ሳምንት ይጠብቁን።