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THE EUROPEAN GREEN CAPITAL AWARD

Following Stockholm in 2010 and Hamburg in 2011, Vitoria-Gasteiz (Spain) and Nantes (France) will be The European Green Capitals for 2012 and 2013.

The **award** of European Green Capital is given each year to a European city that has made exceptional efforts to protect the environment and **to achieve** sustainable development. The judges' decision is based on eleven environmental criteria such as: local transport, green urban areas, quality of air, noise, **waste** production and management and water consumption.

Inhabitants of the city centre of Vitoria-Gasteiz do not live more than 300 metres away from a green space. The city has also made an enormous effort to reduce its water consumption, and aims to bring it down to less than 100 litres a day per person.

Nantes, the winner for 2013, has an ambitious transport policy. It was the first French town to reintroduce electric trams, and it now has a desirable air quality and expects to reduce CO2 emissions by a quarter by 2020.

Europe is now an essentially urban society, with four out of five Europeans living in towns and cities. Our well-being is closely linked to the quality of our urban environment. The **aim** of the Green Capital Award is to make winning cities models and inspire other European cities to improve the quality of life of their citizens.

(Adapted from European Commission News: http://ec.europa.eu/news/environment/101022_1_en.htm)

Vocabulary:

award: prize or money given to the winner of a contest or competition.
to achieve: to complete something successfully or get good results.

waste: not wanted material or substances after use.
aim: objective, goal.

Read the instructions for each question carefully before answering (Total score: 10 points)

1. Answer the following questions. Give complete answers. (1.0 points each = 2.0 points)

- a) What must a European city do to win the European Green Capital Award?
- b) What has the 2012 winner city achieved?

2. Underline the best option (0.5 points each = 1.50 points)

- a) The European Green Capital Award...
- has already been given to 4 cities
 - is given to a different European city every year.
 - Both 1 and 2 are correct.
- b) Nantes...
- has improved its air quality.
 - will increase its CO2 emissions by a quarter by 2020.
 - Both 1 and 2 are correct.
- c) The aim of the award is to...
- have more parks in European cities.
 - offer examples of good practice to European cities.
 - reintroduce electric trams in European cities

3. Are the following sentences true or false? Underline the correct option (0.5 points each = 1.50 points)

- a) 80% of Europeans live in urban areas. True False
- b) Vitoria-Gasteiz has a lot of water for consumption. True False
- c) The winner of the award is selected by European cities. True False

4. Choose one of the following topics and write a text 50-70 words long (5 points)

- a) What can you do in your daily life to protect the environment?
- b) What would you do to improve the quality of life in your town or city?

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