Read the text about living in a new country. Decide which of the four words best fits each space.

Although living in another country can be an (1) ___________________ adventure, it is sometimes proves (2) ___________________ a difficult experience. Many things are new and different – not only the language and culture but also (3) ___________________ things like where to buy stamps or when banks are open. For a person who is used (4) ___________________ in control of their world these new experiences can make them feel helpless, (5) ___________________ and frustrated.

Many of those who start a life somewhere else often go through certain (6) ________________ before they feel at home in their new (7) _________________. The first few weeks after arrival in another country is full of positive feelings and excitement. Then (8) ___________________ sets in and can make you feel angry and impatient. Some people (9) ___________________ their new home for such feelings. Eventually, however, most newcomers settle (10) ________ and begin to adapt.

However, when a person returns to their own culture, they may (11) ________________ the same things in reverse. It takes them (12) ________________ time to get back to their former life in their home country.

1  excited  exciting  pleasure  thrilled  
2  have been  be  of being  to be  
3  everyday  daily  average  regular  
4  been  to being  to be  being  
5  confusing  confused  confuse  confusion  
6  steps  times  eras  stages  
7  surroundings  settings  atmospheres  situations  
8  life  certainty  reality  truth  
9  cause  blame  accuse  hold  
10  in  off  of  back  
11  bear  happen  suffer  experience  
12  some  any  every  all  

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Although living in another country can be an (1) **exciting** adventure, it is sometimes proves (2) **to be** a difficult experience. Many things are new and different – not only the language and culture but also (3) **everyday** things like where to buy stamps or when banks are open. For a person who is used (4) **to being** in control of their world these new experiences can make them feel helpless, (5) **confused** and frustrated.

Many of those who start a life somewhere else often go through certain (6) **stages** before they feel at home in their new (7) **surroundings**. The first few weeks after arrival in another country is full of positive feelings and excitement. Then (8) **reality** sets in and can make you feel angry and impatient. Some people (9) **blame** their new home for such feelings. Eventually, however, most newcomers settle (10) **in** and begin to adapt.

However, when a person returns to their own culture, they may (11) **experience** the same things in reverse. It takes them (12) **some** time to get back to their former life in their home country.