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London has been ranked as the best city in the world to live in for the seventh year in a row. Paris is ranked as the second-best city to live in the world, New York is ranked as the third-best city to live in the world and takes fourth place in the city of Tokyo. When listing similarities and differences between these cities it is important to take into account factors such as place(weather, safety, sights, landmarks), Product(airport, roads, attractions, museums, and schools), Prosperity(income, job opportunities, economy), and programming (culture, nightlife, dining, and shopping),

London is well established in the place factor, meaning that it's a very historical city; filled with history, museums, and culture. London is also a popular tourist attraction like New York, Paris, and Tokyo; what sets London apart from other cities is it has 6 airports, with a total of 40 airports in England alone. London also has local trains like NY, Paris, and Tokyo making the city well-connected. In terms of job security and opportunities, with the population of London steadily increasing, unemployment rates have risen; which may make it hard to find a job in the city. Also with the population growth, this city is plagued by the high cost of living and housing. London has a large nightlife present like Paris and New York. Another disadvantage of

living in this city is London is known for its rainy and dreary weather; with the highest temperature in the summer being 70.

Like London, Paris is a popular tourist destination and city known for its historical background. The city is known for its museums, painting, and art. Unlike New York and London Paris has great job opportunities and security; with the official work week being capped at 35 hours. Also in Paris, if you work overtime, you will be paid double, and also receive paid holidays. Like New York, Paris has lots of public parks and gardens. Like New York, London, and Tokyo, Paris has a bus and train system and is well-connected in transportation. Like London, Paris is known for its leisure activities and shopping outlets. The disadvantages of living in Paris are it's one of the most expensive cities to live in in the world and is pretty crowded like New York and London.

New York has been dubbed as one of the most innovative cities in all aspects of life. With over 500 global companies residing in New York as a home base, the job opportunities are endless, and job security is pretty strong. Like Paris and London, New York is also another popular tourist destination. One of the factors that set New York apart from other cities is it's home to some of the best educational institutions in the world. Like London and Paris, New York has many museums, art galleries, and even theatrical plays for people to see. New York is also known for its nightlife, restaurants, and many clubs. New York also has intricate train and bus systems and also has a few major airports. Some disadvantages of living in New York are that, like most major cities, it's overcrowded and expensive. Another downside is the extremely cold winters that can carry over into January and February.

What sets Tokyo apart from other cities discussed, is the safest metropolises in the world. As the other cities discussed, Tokyo has many museums, attractions, parks, shops, and thousands of restaurants. Tokyo is a very connected city with friendly residents; which provides a sense of community to the people who move there. In terms of job security and opportunities, there is an abundance of ventures; especially in the tech industry. Another factor that sets this city apart is the cleanliness of the streets and overall city. In terms of transportation, Tokyo is well-connected and has the most international flight connections in the country. The downside of living here is the cost of living, taxes, earthquakes, and hot summers.

In conclusion, I think the most important factor regarding categorizing these cities is the disadvantages/advantages that set them apart. Each of these cities has a unique factor that sets them apart from each other whether it's safety, connectedness, job security, or education. I think the most important factor to take into consideration when examining these cities is job security; because without that the unique leisure and pleasures of each city cannot be enjoyed without prosperity.

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