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This task is about adding words to a text so that it makes sense.



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The following piece of writing has some spaces where words are missing.

First, read the whole piece of writing through to get an idea of what it is about. Then fill each space with **ONE** word so that the whole piece of writing makes sense. You are able to change answers as you go.

When you have filled in all the spaces, re-read the text to check that the whole piece of writing makes sense.

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In Angkor are the ruins of Ko Bakong, the former royal capital of Cambodia. A vast, thick jungle now grows around the place <sup>1</sup> the city once stood. Today, thousands <sup>2</sup> animals run about its crumbling ruins; monkeys, tigers, and other creatures <sup>3</sup> made the ruins their refuge. <sup>4</sup> the tangled vines and tall <sup>5</sup> of the jungle, the highest point may still be seen. And amongst the thick growth smothering the <sup>6</sup> one can with some difficulty <sup>7</sup> the remains of ancient buildings <sup>8</sup> the exquisite work of craftsmen <sup>9</sup> carved in stone.

Stories of <sup>10</sup> ago relate that this was <sup>11</sup> a splendid city with magnificent <sup>12</sup> towers, golden roof tiles, and wonderful golden window frames in the <sup>13</sup> palace. The many temples and <sup>14</sup> palace used to fly colourful <sup>15</sup> and pennants during celebrations, and many sculptures and carvings adorned the <sup>16</sup> and massive outer walls. Everywhere <sup>17</sup> is evidence of luxury and <sup>18</sup> wealth. All around there <sup>19</sup> signs of stunning beauty and grandeur. Now there is no one left who <sup>20</sup> able to tell us what <sup>21</sup> to the once-powerful <sup>22</sup> of Ko Bakong. The many scholars who study <sup>23</sup> civilisations have been unable to say <sup>24</sup> became of the royal city.