

(1) Have you noticed that some people lead busy social lives with lots of friends, while others are content with just a few close social ties? Personally, I have ... wide circle of friends and am all in ... favour of this, as it has a number of advantages.

(2) First of all, it can give you ... chance to broaden your experience and knowledge. You will enrich your social awareness. As ... result, you become more socially adapted to various situations.

(3) Second, you are rarely left without a friend. People in Western society, in ... particular, frequently move ... home for various reasons, leaving their friends behind. However, someone with a large number of friends is less affected by this.

(4) Instead of losing their one close friend in a move, they will lose one of many, who will still be around for them. In ... conclusion, having a large number of friends is more desirable than just having a few. To my way of ... thinking, it develops us socially as well as bringing more practical benefits.

Прочитайте текст. Выберите один из предложенных вариантов ответа. Заполните пропуск (3).

- 1) the, a      2) a, —      3) the, the      4) —, the      5) —, —