

**1.** Read the first 3 lines of the text and focus on numbers. Use some of these numbers to prepare a timeline of the history of the city and this neighbourhood.

**2.** “Vivacious” describes the atmosphere in this neighbourhood. Go through the first half and pick elements that explain how the city lost some of its vivacity.

**3.** Match these with their synonyms. Several expressions may not be references to walking!

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| marches (l. 6) ⃝ |  | ⃝ ancient |
| find its footing (l. 18) ⃝ |  | ⃝ operational |
| longstanding (l. 22) ⃝ |  | ⃝ balanced |
| up and running (l. 32) ⃝ |  | ⃝ ceremonies |

**5.** Focus on the second half of the text. Find 4 expressions linked to “getting better”. Use them to describe that New Orleans is doing better.

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b. …………..………….. d. …………..…………..

**6.** List the references to music and define how the city has changed since 2005.

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