

HOME SWEET HOME?

This is a modern white house with one small door and a very small window. There are two floors. Downstairs, there's a kitchen with a stove. There's a living room with a bookcase full of books and board games. (There isn't a TV.) There's also a gym, and a bathroom with a toilet and a shower. Upstairs, there are six comfortable bedrooms. The house is **solar-powered**, so there's electricity. There isn't a car because there are no roads on Mars!

But the house isn't on Mars! It's in Hawaii, and six people live in it. Hawaii is a beautiful place, but these six people are not on vacation. **Astronauts** live in this house. They plan to live on Mars **in the future**, so the astronauts live in the house for a year.

When they are outside, the astronauts are in **spacesuits**. There aren't any other people—no friends or family, but they do have the internet, so they can send emails. Scientists at the University of Hawaii study the astronauts. The scientists are interested in answers to these questions: Is life on Mars difficult for a group of people? Can people live on Mars for a long time?

What do you think?

B Read about the house and complete the information.

1. Number of floors: _____
2. Rooms downstairs: _____
3. Household objects: _____
4. Number of bedrooms: _____
5. Electricity: **Yes / No**
6. Internet: **Yes / No**

C Answer the questions.

1. Is the house in Hawaii or on Mars?
2. Who lives in the house?
3. What are the scientists interested in?

D Find the matching adjectives in the article.

1. new modern
2. a color _____
3. not big _____
4. nice to be in _____
5. nice to look at _____

E Write the opposite adjectives from **D**.

1. big small
2. old _____
3. uncomfortable _____
4. ugly _____

F What do you think of the house for Mars? Is it a nice house?

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