

Test 9.1 Vocabulary

1. Complete the sentences using the appropriate verb from the list below.

• do • make • hang out • keep • dust • take • mop

1. I don't know how Bella manages to _____ the ironing so fast; it takes me an hour just to iron two shirts!
2. Nola always _____ her bed as she gets up in the morning.
3. Messy people find it difficult to _____ their rooms tidy
4. They can't _____ the washing now. It's raining and all the clothes will get wet.
5. The only thing left to do is _____ the furniture, and then the house will be ready for tonight's party.
6. Nick likes helping around the house, but he hates having to _____ the rubbish out every night.
7. Take off your shoes before going into the kitchen; Mum has just _____ the floor.

II. Choose the correct item.

8. David was tired of the noise and pollution of the big city, so he decided to move to a small, **isolated/industrial** town in the countryside.
9. Of all the **housework/household** chores, doing the dishes is the one Jenny hates most.
10. Mrs Finch is very **arrogant/nosy**; she always peeps at us from behind the curtains to see what we're doing in the garden.
11. Dan's muscles **relaxed/went soft** after his accident, as he was unable to exercise for months.
12. Astronauts who work on the International Space Station use a(n) **airless/vacuum** hose to wash with.
13. Peter and Frank play football at their local **football hall/pitch** every day.
14. Jenny would like a house with a **crowded/spacious** study where she can put her big desk and her two big bookcases.
15. Ian isn't a very **sociable/silly** person, as he's not very comfortable with meeting new people.
16. Deforestation and the effects of tourism on natural habitats are two of the reasons why many plant and animal species are in danger of becoming **extinct/ destroyed**.
17. The astronauts who work on the International Space Station **make/do** a lot of experiments
18. Objects in space float because of the **lack/zero** of gravity.

Grammar

III. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets

19. George has offered _____ (take) the dog for a walk while I'm busy with the chores.
20. They are tired of _____ (live) in the dirty, noisy city, so they've decided to move to the countryside.
21. Sam avoids _____ (shop) at the corner shop because it's a bit expensive.
22. I don't remember _____ (turn) off the lights upstairs. Can you please check?
23. Mark's parents never let him _____ (stay) out late on weeknights.
24. Why don't we leave a bit later tomorrow? I can't stand _____ (wake) up early!
25. Do you mind _____ (get) off the phone? I need to make a call.
26. You must _____ (tidy) up your own room. I'm not your slave, you know!
27. Danny wants _____ (become) an astronaut when he grows up.
28. Sarah made her sister _____ (promise) never to take her things again.
29. John has been working all morning, but he's stopped _____ (have) some lunch.

IV. Use *too* or *enough* and the words in brackets to complete the sentences.

30. Tom is _____ (**forgetful**) to remember that he has an appointment with the dentist; you'd better remind him.

31. Our living room isn't _____ (**big**) for this sofa; we need to get a smaller one.

32. Christine is _____ (**busy**) to babysit for Timmy tonight; she has a lot of homework for tomorrow.

33. Did you get _____ (**sleep**) last night? You seem tired

34. James doesn't like the cottage his parents want to rent for the summer because he doesn't find it _____ (**modern**).

35. One thing that I don't like about this area is that it's _____ (**noisy**).

36. The park is _____ (**close**) to walk to from here.

Reading

E Read the text and match the headings (A-F) the paragraphs (42-46). There is one heading you do not need to use.

- A. A CREATIVE USE OF SPACE
- B. NOT FOR MESSY PEOPLE
- C. TOO MANY CHORES
- D. THE ANSWER TO A PROBLEM
- E. PERFECT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
- F. TINY HOUSES

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How would you feel about living in a house that was only 2.6m long by 2.6m wide by 2.6m high? Well, in Europe some people are doing just that. Micro compact ('m-ch') homes are very small homes that are no bigger than the size of a small room!

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So how do you fit not just a sleeping and living area, but also a study and bathing area into a space that is only 2.6m³? Well, in m-ch homes, each area has more than one uses, because you can change the place of the seats, beds and kitchen appliances. So, the dining area (which is also the study area) becomes a sleeping space by sliding the dining table into a wall. And the entrance way doubles as a bathroom — the front door becomes the shower door!

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The company that makes these tiny homes says that they designed them to solve the difficulty many Europeans have in getting their own home. Too many people cannot afford accommodation in Europe and these low-cost homes are perfect for someone who wants a place where they can live for a short time.

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The first people to try living in m-ch homes were university students. Students love them because although small, they are very modern with flatscreen TVs and comfortable furniture.

So what's 'micro living' like? Well, you have to be a very neat, tidy and organised person, because in order to do one thing, you have to first finish another and put everything away. Also, the lack of space means you can't have many personal items. But if you want a cheap, cosy, modern space that you can call your own, a micro home may be for you!

Listening

G You will hear an interview between Adam Wilkins, a science teacher and The Science Hour programme host, Jeremy Jenkins. Listen and mark statements 47-50 as True, False, or Not stated.

47 The world's population increases by half a billion every year. **A True B False C Not stated**

48 People destroy forests to build factories. **A True B False C Not stated**

49 Many people do not realise the size of the damage we cause to the environment.

A True B False C Not stated

50 Water pollution is one of the biggest threats to habitats. **A True B False C Not stated**