

## PLACES TO LIVE

### Task 1. PLACES TO LIVE. Choose the correct answer.

1. They live in a(n) .... house which stands by itself in a field.  
a) attached      b) detached      c) detaching      d) semi-detached
  
2. Having made his fortune he now ... in great luxury in a large house in the country.  
a) dwells      b) inhabits      c) leaves      d) lives
  
3. My brother lives on the eleventh floor of that ..... of flats.  
a) block      b) building      c) house      d) tower
  
4. His house is nothing out of the ...., if s just an average four-roomed house.  
a) normal      b) ordinary      c) typical      d) usual
  
5. Going down the street, she walked past a long ..... of houses, all exactly alike.  
a) queue      b) rank      c) row      d) train
  
6. In the village he was looked up to as the lord of the ....  
a) castle      b) fortress      c) manor      d) tower
  
7. He keeps all his tools and do-it-yourself equipment in a .... in the garden.  
a) barn      b) hut      c) shed      d) stable
  
8. Our house isn't joined to the other houses in the street: it's ....  
a) attached      b) disconnected      c) detached      d) divided
  
9. The new police station is to be built .... the main square.  
a) close      b) near      c) neighbourhood      d) side
  
10. I am staying in a youth .... in the centre of the town.  
a) hostel      b) inn      c) pub      d) stable

## Task 2. KINDS OF HOUSING. Put each of the following words or phrases into its correct place in the passage below.

above      apartments      between      buildings      cities  
communities      duplex      expensive      families      large  
floors      less      homes      quarter      land      row      side  
single      single-family      stores      suburban      wall

### Kinds of Housing

About two-thirds of the ..... in the United States live in single-family ..... . About a .... of the families live in ..... that have two to four ...., or in ..... or other commercial buildings that include apartments.

..... cities have more apartment housing than small ...., because ..... is scarce and .... Small towns and ..... areas, where land is ..... expensive than in city centres, have mostly ..... homes.

Philadelphia and other ..... have many ..... houses. These are usually single-family houses, one or two ..... high, standing ..... to wall. A ..... is a building with two apartments, either ..... by side with a ..... wall ..... them, or one ..... the other

## Task 3. HOUSES: BUILDING, REPAIRING OR BUYING. Choose the right answer.

1. They bought the land with a ..... to building a new office block.  
a) goal      b) purpose      c) reason      d) view
2. Nowadays builders must get ..... from the planning authorities before putting up a new house.  
a) allowance      b) freedom      c) liberty      d) permission
3. Before you take the job on, would you give me a rough ..... of how much it will cost?  
a) estimate      b) esteem      c) value      d) worth

4. An architect planning a new house should always ..... in mind his client's needs.

- a) bear      b) carry      c) take      d) train

5. He gave some very ..... advice on buying a house.

- a) dear      b) precious      c) valuable      d) wealthy

6. The fire officer is coming to ..... the building tomorrow.

- a) inspect      b) look      c) watch      d) witness

7. They decided to ..... down their original plans for the house and make it smaller.

- a) change      b) climb      c) play      d) scale

8. In response to our advertisement, two couples are coming to ..... over the flat tomorrow morning.

- a) get      b) look      c) run      d) pass

9. Though badly damaged by fire, the palace was eventually ..... to its original splendour.

- a) renewed      b) renovated      c) repaired      d) restored

10. The house is part of his ..... from his aunt.

- a) heritage      b) inheritance      c) testament      d) will

11. We are going to ..... our house by building another room on to it.

- a) develop      b) extend      c) spread      d) stretch

12. The ..... charged by the architect for the plans of the new building were unusually high.

- a) fees      b) hire      c) price      d) sum

13. The agents didn't . . . . letting all the new flats before the block was completed.

- a) bargain
- b) expect
- c) foresee
- d) suspect

14. The . . . . outside the house said: "PRIVATE".

- a) advice
- b) label
- c) notice
- d) threat

15. The . . . . of the house were dug in June and the roof was on by December.

- a) basements
- b) ground floors
- c) scaffolds
- d) foundations

16. When you build a house you must start by laying the . . . .

- a) attic
- b) basement
- c) cellar
- d) foundations

17. The house is old and it's in bad . . . .

- a) condition
- b) damage
- c) situation
- d) state

18. She was keen to . . . . the house to its original condition.

- a) rebuild
- b) renew
- c) renovate
- d) restore

19. We could have provided him with a detached house but he . . . . asked for a small flat.

- a) decidedly
- b) solely
- c) specifically
- d) strongly

20. The best person to approach if you are house-hunting is an estate . . . .

- a) agent
- b) clerk
- c) official
- d) representative