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Lesson 12

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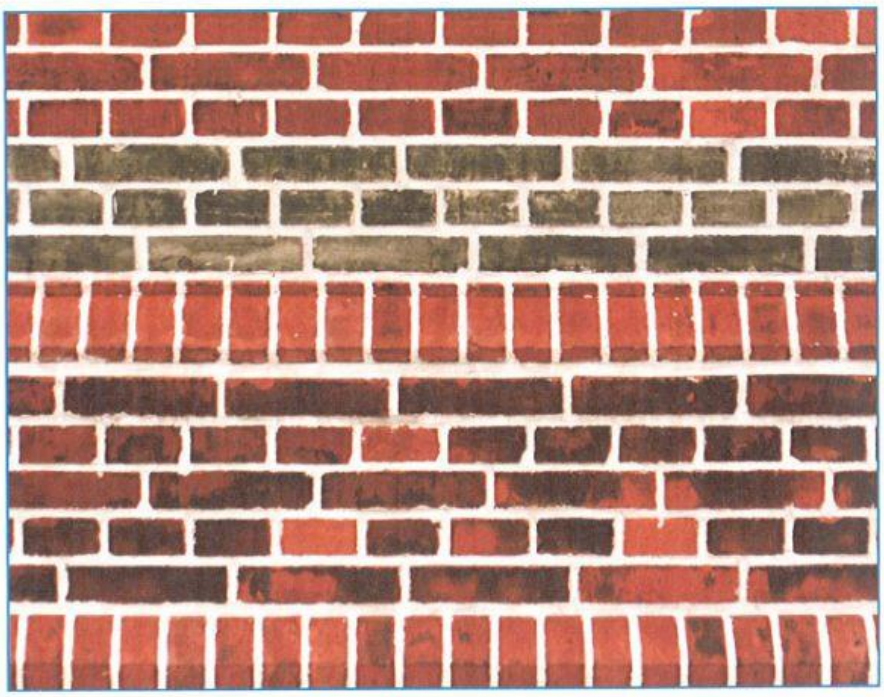
Read the story below.

Soil Homes

Is your home made of dirt?
Some homes are.
But they aren't dirty.
Soil can make sturdy homes.
Bricks are used to build these houses.



Bricks were used thousands of years ago.
They are still used today.
They are made from clay.
Clay is a kind of soil.
It can be brown, red, or yellow.

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home	bake
oven	sturdy
wall	brick

How do you make bricks?
The clay is stirred with sand and water.
Then it is baked in a big oven.
The bricks are hard and usually red.
They are all the same.
They need to be flat and square.
Flat bricks stack better.
Builders stack them in rows.
Each row makes the wall higher.
Cement holds the bricks together.
These strong walls can last thousands of years!



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Exercise 1

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Read the words in the box. Then write the word next to its meaning.

home	**oven**	**wall**
bake	**sturdy**	**brick**

1. a space for cooking at a high heat _____
2. what holds a roof up _____
3. a block used to build things _____
4. to cook in an oven _____
5. a place where something lives _____
6. strong and lasting _____

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Exercise 2

Match the pictures with the correct words.

1. oven

2. brick

3. home

4. sturdy

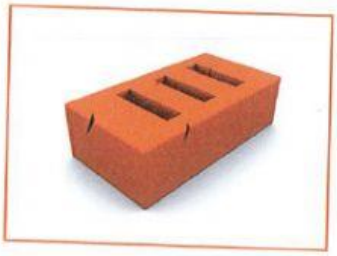
5. bake











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Exercise 3

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Which word best fits in the blank? Circle the correct answer.

Put the cookies in the ____(1)____. They will be done soon. They need to ____(2)____ for 15 minutes.

1. a. wall
b. cement
c. block
d. oven

2. a. stack
b. bake
c. hold
d. stir

I live in a big ____(3)____. It is made of bricks. The walls are very ____(4)____.

3. a. tree
b. home
c. brick homes
d. oven

4. a. sturdy
b. dirty
c. stack
d. flimsy

You can't topple that ____(5)____ by yourself. It's too strong. It's made of ____(6)____.

5. a. dirt
b. cake
c. straight
d. wall

6. a. bricks
b. humus
c. wind
d. water

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Comprehension

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1 Reading Comprehension Choose the best answer.

1. This story is about _____.

a. soil
b. cement
c. soil homes
d. ovens

2. Clay is stirred with sand and water, then _____.

a. stacked in rows
b. cooled in a fridge
c. made into soil
d. baked in a big oven

3. Bricks are held together with _____.

a. clay
b. soil
c. cement
d. dirt

2 General Understanding Circle T for true or F for false.

1. Brick walls can last thousands of years. T F

2. To make bricks clay is stirred with water and wood. T F

3. Bricks are still used today. T F

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Review

Match the words with the correct definitions.

air	•	•	not alive
top	•	•	an important part of rocks
dead	•	•	the highest
rot	•	•	strong and lasting
bake	•	•	what holds a roof up
wall	•	•	to cook in an oven
oven	•	•	a block used to build things
brick	•	•	a place where something lives
sturdy	•	•	a space for cooking at a high heat
home	•	•	to break down
mineral	•	•	the gas that we breathe
turn into	•	•	to become something else

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