

Grammar

7 Complete the text with the comparative or superlative forms of the adjectives in brackets.

1 _____ (important) room in our house is the living room. Here is where our family spends most of our time together. It's 2 _____ (big) room, and also 3 _____ (quiet), because it backs out on to the garden. It faces north, so it's a bit 4 _____ (dark) than the other rooms in the house, but that makes it 5 _____ (good) in the summer, because it doesn't get too hot. It's also 6 _____ (clean) room of all of them. But my favourite room is my bedroom. It's much 7 _____ (small) than the living room, but it's also 8 _____ (bright).

Mark: ___ / 8

8 Rewrite sentence b so that it has a similar meaning to sentence a.

- 1 a My room is the same size as my sister's room.
b My room _____ my sister's room.
- 2 a There aren't any houses smaller than our house in our street.
b Our house is _____ in our street.
- 3 a This house is too expensive for us.
b This house is not _____ for us.
- 4 a The dishes aren't clean enough, so I need to wash them again.
b The dishes are _____, so I need to wash them again.
- 5 a Our school is closer to our new house than it was to our old house.
b Our new school isn't _____ to our old house.
- 6 a The streets around here are busier than the streets where we live.
b The streets around here aren't _____ where we live.
- 7 a There is no other bed more comfortable than mine in our house.
b My bed is _____ in our house.
- 8 a The bathroom is colder than other rooms in the house.
b The bathroom is not _____ in the house.

Mark: ___ / 8

9 Circle the correct answers.

The thinnest house in the world?

Imagine ¹**to live / living** in a house that's only 122cm wide. That's not even wide enough for a double bed! But that didn't worry Polish architect Jerzy Szczesny who recently managed ²**to build / building**, what he claims to be, the narrowest house in the world. Szczesny decided ³**to design / designing** the two-story house as part of an art project headed by Etgar Keret, a famous writer and filmmaker.

The ground floor has a toilet, a kitchen with a table and chairs, and a sofa. Upstairs, there's a small bed and another table. And if you'd like ⁴**to take / taking** a shower, you can also do that.

The house is already on the tourist map and many people coming to Warsaw want ⁵**to visit / visiting** it. But they first need ⁶**to get / getting** through a small hole to enter the building. So, if you don't mind ⁷**to be / being** in narrow spaces, I hope ⁸**to see / seeing** you there next time you're in Warsaw.

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