**ACTIVITY 1: Look at this image. Use a dictionary if you need to understand it better.**
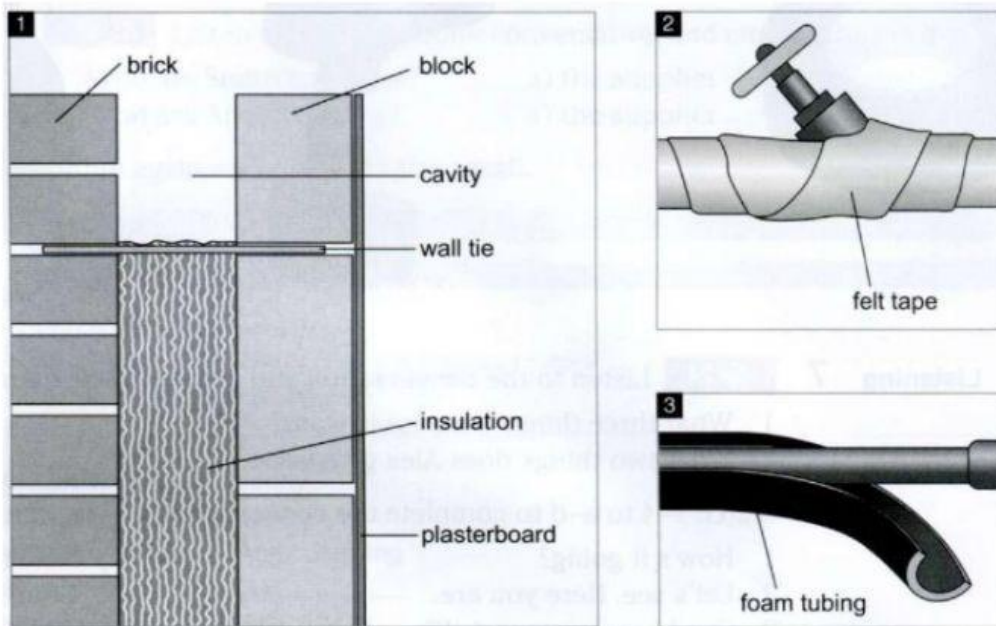


Listen to and read the beginning of a conversation between a client *(cliente)* and a building contractor *(contratista de obra/empresa constructora)* and choose the correct answer. AUDIO 25.



A: Can you tell me about wall insulation?

B: Sure. There are two types of wall insulation: cavity and solid. Both types provide thermal and acoustic insulation.

A: What's the difference?

B: Let me explain. Sometimes walls are solid, so the insulation is on the outside of the wall. This is solid wall insulation.
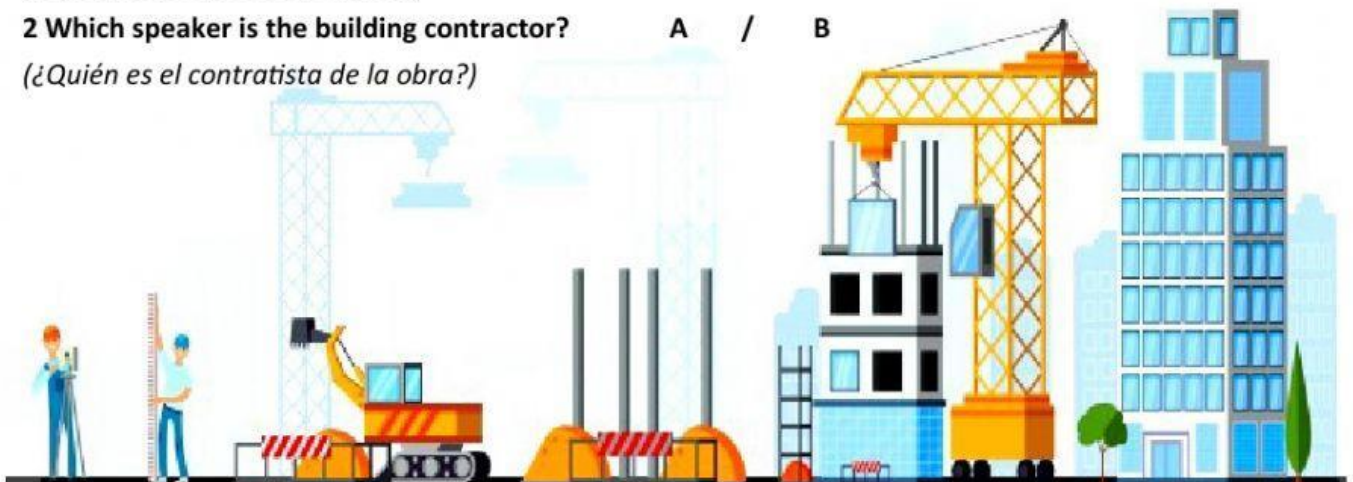
**1 Which speaker is the client?**           A  /  B

*(¿Qué interlocutor es el cliente?)*

**2 Which speaker is the building contractor?**     A  /  B

*(¿Quién es el contratista de la obra?)*

**ACTIVITY 2: Before we continue with the dialogue, study this chart.** *(Antes de continuar con el diálogo, estudiá esta tabla)*

| Used to/Used as/Used for | |
|---|---|
| **Used to** is followed by a verb. | Solid wall insulation is **used to provide** thermal insulation. |
| **Used as/used for** is followed by a noun or adjective + noun. | Polystyrene beads are **used as** cavity wall insulation. Felt tape is **used for** pipes. |

**Used to** *(se usa para, usado/a para)* como se observa en el ejemplo, después de esta frase necesitamos un verbo *(to + verbo):* Solid wall insulation is **used to provide** thermal insulation *(El aislamiento de pared sólida se usa para proporcionar ailslamiento térmico)*

**Used as** *(se usa como, usado/a como)* se utiliza seguido de un sustantivo o de un adjetivo + sustantivo. Polystyrene beads are **used as** cavity wall insulation *(Las esferas de poliestireno se usan como aislamiento en paredes huecas)*

**Used for** *(se usa para, usado para)* al igual que el anterior, se utiliza seguido de un sustantivo o de un adjetivo + sustantivo.
Felt tape is **used for** pipes *(La cinta adhesive de fieltro se usa para tuberías)*

**En resumen:**

Used to + verb *(Used to + verbo)*

Used as / Used for + noun or adjective + noun *(Used as / used for + sustantivo / adjetivo + sustantivo)*

**ACTIVITY 3: Read the rest of the conversation and put it in the correct order.** AUDIO 26
*(Releer la conversación de la actividad 1 (AUDIO 25) si es necesario ya que ésta parte es la continuación.*

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☐ Yes, exactly.
☐ Sometimes walls have two parts: an inner wall and an outer wall. Cavity wall insulation means that the insulation material is inside the wall.
1️⃣ And cavity wall insulation?
☐ Ah, OK. So solid wall is outside and cavity wall is inside?
☐ I see. Thank you.
☐ What about pipes?
☐ OK, I understand. And what types of insulation do you use for cavity wall insulation?
☐ Our company uses three types of cavity wall insulation to fill the gap: foam, mineral wool, or polystyrene beads.
☐ For pipes, we normally use felt tape or foam tubing.

**ACTIVITY 4: Are these sentences True or False?**

1. Solid wall insulation is used to provide thermal insulation.

   TRUE    FALSE

2. Felt tape is used as cavity wall insulation.

   TRUE    FALSE

3. Cavity wall insulation goes between the inner and outer walls.

   TRUE    FALSE

4. Foam tubing is used to insulate pipes.

   TRUE    FALSE

5. Polystyrene beads are used to insulate pipes.

   TRUE    FALSE

**ACTIVITY 5: Complete these sentences with *to, as* or *for*.**

1  Foam tubing is used _____ insulate pipes.
2  Foam tubing is used _____ pipe insulation.
3  Plasterboard is used _____ cover the inner wall.
4  Wall ties are used _____ hold the inner and outer walls together.
5  Polystyrene beads are used _____ cavity wall insulation.