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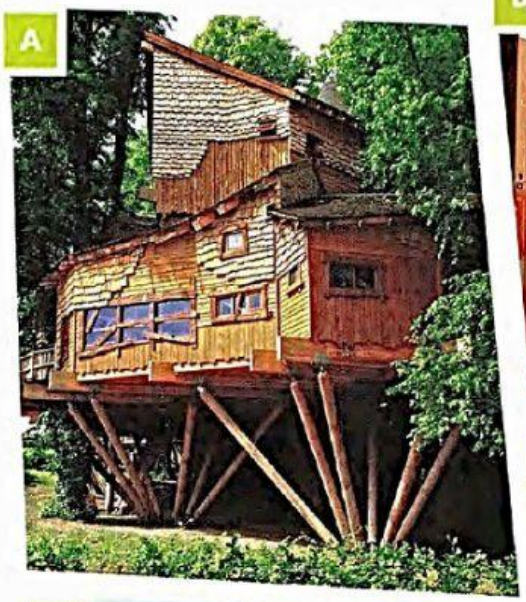
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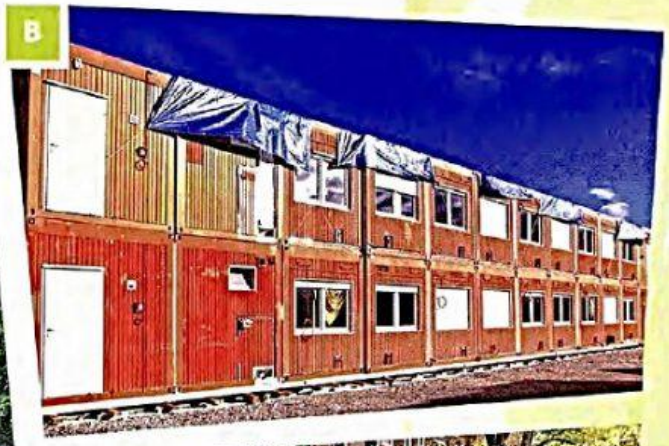
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03 Find these in the pictures on this page.

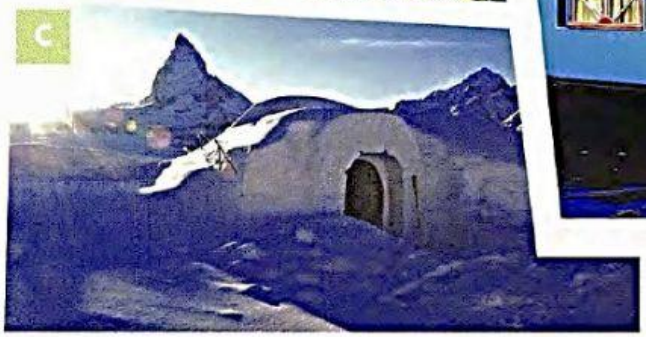
igloo treehouse houseboat shipping container homes

Which ones would you like to live in?









SKIMMING AND SCANNING A TEXT

LIVEWORKSHEETS

04 What is the passage about? Read it in ONE minute and choose one of the options.

a Life in different cities around the world
b Unusual places to live or stay around the world
c The type of houses and flats most people live in

05 Read the passage again to find the words from the box in exercise 3 as quickly as you can.

06 Which of the two activities you have just done practised scanning? Which practised skimming?

AMAZING HOMES

Most people live in a house or a flat. When they go on holiday they stay in a hotel or a guest house. But some places where you can live or stay are a bit different.

A One unusual place to live is a houseboat. Amsterdam in Holland is famous for its houseboats – there are about 2,500 of them. They have everything that a normal house has: a living room, bedroom, kitchen, bathroom and even sometimes a terrace on the roof. They are cheaper than houses and people who live on houseboats enjoy being close to nature. Some houseboats can be moved to other parts of the river, while others are permanently in one place.

B In Tokyo, Japan, there is a see-through house. It is like a normal Japanese house but all the walls are made of glass. There is plenty of daylight but no privacy. Architect Sou Fujimoto designed it for a couple to make their home. He based his ideas on early man living in trees. It wouldn't suit everyone but the couple who live there love the feeling of being surrounded by the natural world.

C All around the world, people live in homes made from shipping containers. Some use only one container, while others are made from several containers joined together. One house in Chile was built from 12 containers. They are cheap to buy and eco-friendly. They can also be placed in the garden or drive as guest rooms, studies or utility rooms.

D In Germany, you can stay in a one-metre-square house, the smallest house in the world, called the House NA. Van Bo Le-Mentzel, a refugee from Laos, built it to draw attention to the world housing shortage. It is a wooden structure on wheels and weighs 40 kg. It has a locking door and a window. You can turn it onto its side when you want to lie down. Franz from Munich spent the night in one recently 'just to see what it was like'. He found it a bit uncomfortable!

E For an unusual holiday you can stay in an igloo, a house made of ice. These can be found in several countries including Sweden, Norway and Finland. They are built new every winter. Jenny and Callum, visitors from Australia, told us, 'We slept in an igloo last night. It's so cold here – minus 5 degrees centigrade. We used reindeer skins to keep warm!'

F Another couple, Shaun and Rachel from Manchester, enjoyed a recent holiday in a treehouse in Sussex, England. They said, 'It was right up in the trees and had everything we needed, even wifi! It had a small kitchen and we did our own cooking. It was the perfect place to get away from our busy lives.'



LIVEWORKSHEETS

SENTENCE COMPLETION

In this task type you will have to complete a sentence with up to three words (or two words and/or a number) taken from the passage. The instructions will tell you how many words you are allowed to use.

Look at this example: *Houseboat occupants like living* _____.

This is a paraphrase of the following sentence from the passage:

People who live on houseboats enjoy being close to nature.

Because you have to use words from the passage in your answer, the answer is *close to nature*.

09 **Follow the steps in the box opposite and complete the sentences. Choose NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS from the passage for each answer.**

1 The two people who live in the transparent house love it, but it wouldn't _____.

2 The designer of the smallest house hopes to _____ to the lack of houses all over the world.

3 People who stay in igloos sometimes protect themselves from the cold by making use of _____.

4 People who have _____ would find a holiday in a treehouse ideal.

GRAMMAR FOCUS: PAST SIMPLE AND PRESENT SIMPLE

10 **Answer these questions about the *Amazing homes* passage.**

1 Which tenses does the passage use?
   a present tenses
   b past tenses
   c both present and past tenses

2 Which tenses are used:
   a to describe the houses?
   b to describe habit or things that are always true?
   c to describe people's experiences on holidays?
   d to talk about designing or building the house?

TIP 10

As part of your first quick look at the passage, identify whether it is written mainly in the past, present or future, and if the tense changes. This may help you understand the passage.

11 **Choose the correct verb, present simple or past simple.**

1 Most people in China **live / lived** in flats.
2 In the UK most houses **have / had** gardens.
3 In 2010, my parents **move / moved** to Australia.
4 Nowadays Sarah usually **spends / spent** her holidays in cities.
5 In the past she **prefers / preferred** beach holidays.

12 **Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.**

1 Farid now _____ (**share**) a flat with some other students.
2 Last year he _____ (**live**) at home with his parents.
3 Once I _____ (**stay**) on a campsite next to a lake in Italy.
4 My flat _____ (**have**) two balconies.
5 In 2014 we _____ (**move**) into our new house.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

UNDERSTANDING PARAPHRASE

In the Reading paper, it is very important to be able to understand paraphrase (when the same idea is given using different words). The words used in the questions won't be exactly the same as the ones in the passage.

07 **Match these words and phrases from the text (1–6) with their paraphrases (a–f).**

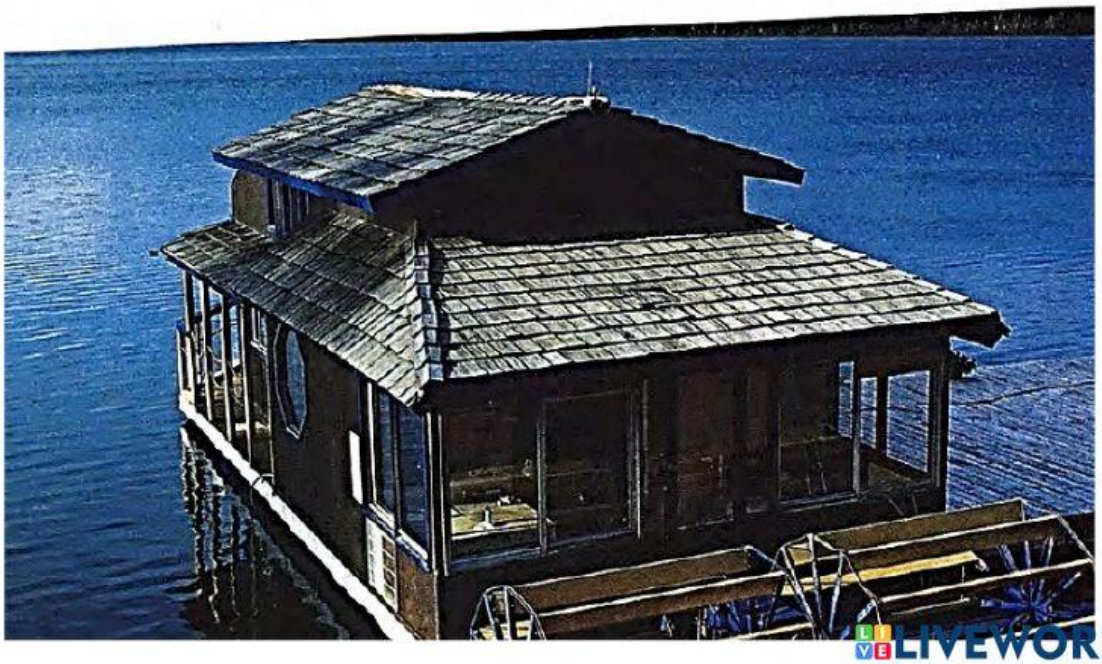
1 houseboats	a not being watched by others
2 permanently	b not feeling pleasant
3 privacy	c homes on the water
4 surrounded by the natural world	d Nordic countries
5 uncomfortable	e forever, always
6 Sweden, Norway and Finland	f having nature all around

08 **Choose the best paraphrase for these sentences from the text.**

1 The treehouse had everything we needed.
- A We needed some more things for our stay in the treehouse.
- B The treehouse was very well equipped.
- C We need everything for the treehouse.

2 Some houseboats can be moved to other parts of the river.
- A Not all houseboats are permanently fixed in one place.
- B Only some parts of the river have houseboats.
- C You can move to a houseboat in another part of the river.

3 One house in Chile was built from 12 containers.
- A There are 12 houses in Chile made from containers.
- B 12 containers were used to make one house.
- C You need 12 containers to make a house in Chile.



LIVEWORKSHEETS

LEAD-IN

01 **In Section 1 of the Listening test you will hear two people talking in everyday situations.**

Tick TWO situations that could be in Section 1 of the Listening test.

A Discussing a course assignment
B Describing changes in family life over time
C Choosing a gift
D Arranging a birthday celebration

02 **Listen and match the conversations with of the situations above.**

02

Conversation 1 _____ Conversation 2 _____

IDENTIFYING THE SPEAKERS

03 **Listen to the conversations again and pay attention to the speakers. For questions 1–4, write M for male and F for female next to the people.**

02

	Male or female?	Information wanted
Conversation 1	manager 1 ___ customer 2 ___	5 The customer would like to … A book a table. B order a meal.
Conversation 2	shop assistant 3 ___ customer 4 ___	6 The customer wants to buy … A a necklace. B earrings.

04 **Listen again and for questions 5 and 6, choose the correct answer, A or B.**

02

Các con mở các link nghe sau đây bằng máy tính:

Track 2 *Track 3*

Track 4 *Track 5*

Track 6 *Track 7*

LIVEWORKSHEETS

LISTENING FOR NUMBERS

05 Listen and circle the number you hear in each pair.

03

a 1st / 3rd
b $10.50 / $10.15
c 6th / 5th
d 17 / 70
e 19 / 90
f 52 / 62
g £110 / £810
h 22nd / 27th

Listen again and practise saying the numbers.

06 Listen to the next part of conversation 1 and choose the correct answer.

04

1 How many people does the woman want to make the booking for?
A 8 B 12 C 16

2 What is the date of the booking?
A 12th B 16th C 17th



07 Look at the following phrases taken from the recording. What number is missing?

1 No, no, it's the day after – the _____.
16th / 17th

2 The private room can seat up to _____ people. **12 / 20**

08 Now listen to the rest of conversation 1 and choose the correct answer.

05

How much is the total cost of the booking?
A £218 B £318 C £380

09 Listen to the second part of conversation 2 and answer the questions.

06

1 The price of the earrings now is ...
A £10 B £20 C £30

2 How much does the customer pay for the gift wrapping?
A £4 B £5 C £7

10 Listen again and complete this part of the conversation.

07

Customer Oh, really? So, how much are they?
Assistant Well, they *were* **1** _____ pounds, but actually we've got a sale on at the moment, so they're a little cheaper – only **2** _____ pounds. So you can save **3** _____ pounds!

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Các con mở các link nghe sau đây bằng máy tính: *Track 8*

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

11 **Match the words and phrases 1–5 to words and phrases a–e, which have a similar meaning.**

1 a goodbye party	a members of the same family
2 a soccer game	b colleagues
3 a celebration	c a leaving party
4 brother and sister	d a birthday party
5 work in the same office	e a football match

12 **Read questions 1–6 in the Exam skills task below and match them with the topic areas in the box.**

Colour	Food	Presents	The meaning of something
The relationship between the people			The type of event

EXAM SKILLS

13 **Listen to the conversation and choose the correct letter, A, B or C.**

08

1 Who are the two speakers?
- A good friends
- B work colleagues
- C family members

2 What celebration are they talking about?
- A a birthday party
- B a graduation
- C a wedding

3 What colour hat do baby girls wear at the event in Korea?
- A black and silver
- B black
- C red and silver

4 The purse represents
- A good health.
- B good fortune.
- C wealth.

5 What food do guests have at the event?
- A oranges
- B vegetables
- C rice cakes

6 What does the baby receive from the guests?
- A a candle
- B some money
- C some tea

LIVEWORKSHEETS

I. Choose the correct answer for each of the following sentences.

1. Green tea _____ in China, India, and other countries.

A. is produced B. will be produced C. was produced

2. The play Romeo and Juliet _____ by Shakespeare.

A. was written B. is written C. had been written

3. She kept telling _____ that everything was fine.

A. herself B. himself C. myself

4. Jane is such a _____ person that she always has to note things down to remember them.

A. forgetful-minded B. absent-minded C. loose-minded

5. It is advised that you keep the pills _____ the children's reach.

A. at B. under C. out of

II. Fill in each blank with a suitable word/phrase in the box. Change their forms if necessary.

copyright	essentials	exclusive	tenacity	deserve

1. Talent, hard work and sheer _____ are all crucial to career success.

2. His work received only a tiny mention in the journal; he _____ better.

3. _____ protects your work from being commercially exploited by someone else without your consent.

4. The relief agencies are trying to provide food and other basic _____.

5. The recording deal is not necessarily _____. The band can record material for other companies as well.

***Lưu ý:** *Với những từ con không nhớ và viết sai, con viết từ đó vào vở 2 dòng.*

LIVEWORKSHEETS