

145 - My favourite room

A. Choose the right option (use the letters A or B). Elige la opción correcta (usa las letras A o B).



1. _____ A. I live in a nice apartment.

B. I live in a small mobile home.



2. _____ A. I would like to live in a cabin.

B. I would like to live in a mansion.



3. _____ A. My cousins bought a big farmhouse.

B. My cousins bought a big tent.

B. Match the sentences to their right translation (use the letters). Une las oraciones con las traducciones correctas (usa las letras).

A- We are having a party in the garden.

B- Please, take off your shoes in the hallway.

C- I decided to remodel my kitchen.

D- Our laundry room is very small.

E- My neighbors play their instruments in the garage.

F- He's mowing the lawn in the yard.

Decidí remodelar mi cocina.

Tenemos una fiesta en el jardín.

Mis vecinos tocan sus instrumentos en la cochera.

Está cortando el césped en el patio.

Nuestra lavandería es muy pequeña.

Por favor, quítate los zapatos en el vestíbulo.

C. Complete the text using the words from the box. Completa el texto usando las palabras del recuadro.

insulation - heating - foundation - basement -
porch - materials - tile

In Canada especially, and also in the US, the building _____ that we use are chosen for insulation because of the cold. We have wooden frames in our walls, with an _____ material that fills the frames. The exterior walls of buildings are almost never made of concrete blocks, which are more common in Latin America.

In Canada, we almost always have a small room at the front entrance, which we call a _____. It has a second door inside. The porch is useful because of the cold wind during the winter, and because when we walk in the snow, we wear boots. Our boots get wet when the snow melts, and we leave our boots in the porch where there's ceramic _____, or another material that's easy to clean. Sometimes we have rubber mats in the porch where we can leave our wet boots.

The porch usually has a closet where we put our coats. Because of the cold temperatures in winter we wear coats when we go outside, but inside the house we have _____ and insulation in the walls, so the temperature inside stays warm and we take our coats off when we arrive home.

In my area of North America, we don't build houses with consideration for earthquakes like in some Latin American countries, so it was interesting for me to learn about construction in Chile, for example.

It's standard for us to have a basement which is made from the concrete _____ in the bottom of our houses. Sometimes people make bedrooms, an office space, or a TV or recreation room in the basement. Sometimes the _____ space is left empty and we use it for storage, like you have probably seen in some movies or TV shows from the USA.