

- 2 Read the article and match topics a–d to paragraphs 1–4.
- a what the photos show
 - b the challenges of the project
 - c who this man is and what he does
 - d how people feel about the project

Our possessions

- 1 Huang Qingjun is a photographer who travels around China and takes photos of people that are standing outside their homes with their household possessions. Huang started taking photos when he was a teenager and then worked for the magazine *Chinese National Geography*. In 2006 he began this project.
 - 2 The photos show the huge changes which are taking place in China. For example, the photo of elderly farmers who are standing outside their house shows a satellite dish, a DVD player and a phone. Huang's photos are a simple idea that shows how people's lives are changing.
 - 3 At first, some people feel it is strange to take all the things which are in their house outside for a photograph, but they mostly say yes when they understand why.
 - 4 It is easier to take the photos in places where people don't have many possessions. Some photographs take him a couple of days and others several months. He visited one location where a couple had to move because of plans to build tower blocks and offices. In the photo, the couple are sitting on their bed and you can see the Chinese word which means 'destroy' on the wall behind them. But the couple are happy because they got money for moving.
- **household possession** something a person owns and keeps in their house

- 4a Look at the example sentences in the Grammar focus box. Then complete the rules with *who*, *which*, *that* or *where*.

GRAMMAR FOCUS identifying relative clauses

- Identifying relative clauses give us information about the person, place or thing we are talking about. We can't understand what the sentence is about without this information.
- We use ¹ _____ or ² _____ to talk about people.
Huang Qingjun is a photographer who travels around China and takes photos of people that are standing outside their homes ...
- We use ³ _____ or ⁴ _____ to talk about things.
The photos show the huge changes which are taking place in China.
Huang's photos are a simple idea that shows how people's lives are changing.
- We use ⁵ _____ to talk about places.
He visited one location where a couple had to move ...

- 5 Complete the text with *who*, *which* or *where*. Which ones could be replaced by *that*?

China: Living together in a circle

Deep in the mountains in the Fujian region of China, there is a large, round building called a *tulou* ¹ _____ about 300 people live together. The tulou has four floors, four staircases and over 200 rooms. Step inside and you will hear people ² _____ are calling you to stop for tea. In the middle is the hall ³ _____ people pray. On the first floor, there are kitchens ⁴ _____ people prepare food and cook, and there are also areas ⁵ _____ people can cook outside. The children ⁶ _____ live here play in the long hall and their bedrooms are on the third and fourth floors. There are animals ⁷ _____ live here too, so the tulou is certainly a lively place. The tulou ⁸ _____ is in the photo is one of several tulous in this part of China.

