

LIFE UNDER THE MIDNIGHT SUN

Imagine life with the sun 24 hours a day. What changes can you make to your life?



- 1 Mandy Logan loves the midnight sun. 'I work in the garden at 3 am if I want to,' she says. Mandy lives in Inuvik in the Northwest Territories in Canada. She works for a Community Greenhouse¹ that grows fruit and vegetables in the summer.
- 2 In the winter in Inuvik, it's always cold and dark. But in summer, there is light 24 hours a day. People there sleep less. They want to enjoy life and do lots of different things when they have light.
- 3 People cook lunch at 2 am, they go to bed in the morning and get up early in the afternoon. Or maybe at 10:30 pm you go fishing or go for a swim. You can sunbathe at midnight.
- 4 Fruit and vegetables are also different in the summer. 'Everything grows really fast between April and August,' says Mandy. People and plants all change under the midnight sun.



¹**Community Greenhouse** (n phr) a building made of glass for growing plants in; for the community – everyone who lives in Inuvik

4 Read the text on page 63. Tick (✓) two sentences below that are correct about Inuvik in the summer.

- 1 There's light all night.
- 2 People sleep during the day.
- 3 People often do daytime activities at night.
- 4 Plants don't grow very well.

5 Scan the text to find what activities people do at these times:

10:30 pm _____

midnight _____

2 am _____

3 am _____

6 Scan the text again to complete the information about Mandy.

Name: Mandy Logan

Summer job: _____

Summer job months: _____

Greenhouse plants: _____