

# 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 Greenhouse<sup>1</sup> 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.



<sup>1</sup>**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: \_\_\_\_\_