

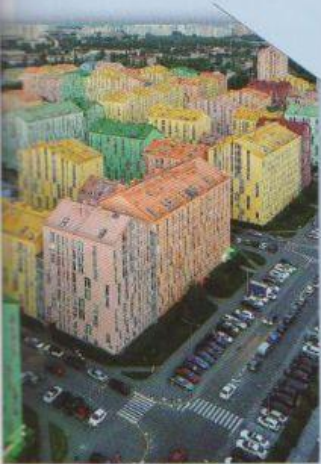
THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX



What can you do with 300 million empty boxes? Well, if they are shipping containers, then you can put in (1) _____ furniture and windows and live in them. Shipping containers make modern, environmentally friendly and inexpensive houses, and empty ones—some (2) _____ very good condition—can be found at ports all around the world. In some places, they are a source of cheap housing (3) _____ young people and the homeless. For people who do not like the idea of living in a big box, there are some very beautiful and unusual homes made from containers, and several can

be joined to make a very spacious flat or house. In warm countries, many make use of the sun for heating and have balconies. Some people are choosing houses like (4) _____ because of their possibilities and not just because they are green and low cost. There are also those who live in just one container, who say they like living in a small space. One thing's for sure, there are (5) _____ empty containers around and it's amazing what you can do with a big box.

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| 1. A. a few | B. many | C. some | D. any |
| 2. A. on | B. at | C. in | D. of |
| 3. A. for the | B. to | C. to these | D. for |
| 4. A. those | B. these | C. this | D. it |
| 5. A. plenty of | B. lots | C. few | D. little |



COMFORT TOWN

Kyiv's nearly three million residents have a lot of different housing options to choose from, but the community of Comfort Town may be the most unique. Located in a (6) _____ area just outside the city centre, Comfort Town was built on the site of an old, abandoned factory, and the first residents arrived in 2012. The (7) _____ blocks of Comfort Town have been brightly (8) _____ in a rainbow of colours, making the neighbourhood easy to recognise. Inside the gated community, there are one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments, each with a separate kitchen and living area. The apartments (9) _____ central courtyards and the whole complex is child friendly, with lots of green spaces and playgrounds. The neighbourhood is complete with its own schools, sports (10) _____ and shops.

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| 6. A. local | B. residential | C. rural | D. community |
| 7. A. building | B. flat | C. detached | D. tower |
| 8. A. drawn | B. designed | C. decorated | D. painted |
| 9. A. overlook | B. oversee | C. overwhelm | D. overtake |
| 10. A. courts | B. matches | C. facilities | D. comforts |