

Lessons 11–12 Why is it shaped this way?

1 What do the following words mean? Choose the best answer.

1 *tough*

- a easy
- b difficult
- c wrong

2 *sensible*

- a a good idea
- b a bad idea
- c someone else's idea

3 *amazing*

- a strong
- b small
- c very good

4 *pressure*

- a when you push on something
- b when you pull on something
- c when you break something

5 *survived*

- a stayed standing
- b built
- c disappeared

2 Now use four of the words above to complete these sentences.

1 I don't understand geometry. I think it's a really _____ subject.

2 We learned some _____ facts at school today about the shape of objects.

3 The chair broke because two people sat on it and the _____ was too much for the legs.

4 The top of a mosque is usually shaped like a _____.

6 *dome*

- a a square shape
- b a triangular shape
- c a round shape

7 *curved*

- a straight
- b rounded
- c old

Reading strategy

Try to understand the meaning of new words by looking at the sentence they are in, and the words around them.