

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

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.

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 _____