

Three families

In a small village in North Yorkshire, there's a big old farmhouse where three families live together: Alice and George and their three children, John and Pamela and **A**____ two children, and Sarah and her baby daughter.

The adults divide up the work between them. George does the cooking, Joe and Sue do most of the housework, Pam looks after the shopping and **B**____ the repairs, and Alice takes care of the garden. Alice, George and Sue go out to work; Joe works at home designing computer systems, and Pam, who **C**____ a painter, looks after the baby during the day.

Two of the children go to school in the village, but the three oldest ones go by bus to the secondary school in the **D**____ town, ten miles away. The three families get on well, and enjoy their way of life.

There are a few difficulties, of course. Their biggest worry at the moment is money — one of the cars **E**____ replacing, and the roof needs some expensive repairs. But this isn't too serious — the bank has agreed to a loan, which they expect to be able to pay back in three years. And they all say they would much rather go on living in their old farmhouse than move to a luxury flat in a big city.