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SMART HOUSE



Have you ever left your house wondering if you had locked the front door or turned off the cooker? Now you can stop worrying if you decide to turn your home **(1)** _____ a smart one. Technology that was once reserved for the rich is becoming more and more available **(2)** _____ the popularity of mobile phones and tablets.

Setting up a smart home is all about connecting all the devices and household **(3)** _____ into a network that you can control from any place in the world. Whether you are at work or on holiday, you can check what is going on in your house and react accordingly. A security system will detect a fire or inform you in case a burglar **(4)** _____ to break in. A smart home will control the lighting and room temperature, resulting in lower electricity and heating bills. Once the house knows that you are getting up, it will turn on the coffee maker in the kitchen or put your favourite news programme on the TV.

The list of cool smart home tricks goes on and they are all **(5)** _____ at making your life easier and more convenient.

№	A	B	C
1	up	on	into
2	owing to	in spite of	apart from
3	tools	furniture	appliances
4	tries	will try	tried
5	aiming	aimed	being aimed

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READING BOOKS CAN BE COOL



At present many publishing houses are experiencing a crisis, libraries are not as popular as they **(1)** _____ be and fewer and fewer people are buying books. That is why in 1995 UNESCO started World Book Day, an annual event celebrated worldwide on 23 April **(2)** _____ main aim is to encourage and promote reading. It was decided that it would be held on this day because the date is also the anniversary of the birth and death of William Shakespeare and the death of Miguel de Cervantes.

Every year hundreds of interesting book-related events **(3)** _____ place in bookshops, schools and libraries. In Spain, for example, Cervantes's Don Quixote is read during a two-day reading marathon. In Catalonia, where this day is called The Day of the Rose, traditionally men gave women roses and **(4)** _____ women gave men books. Nowadays it is still customary to exchange books on this day and in the main streets of Barcelona and other cities in the region you can buy something to read for your loved ones.

UNESCO believes that reading books **(5)** _____ to the social and cultural progress of humanity and leads to building peace around the world.

№	A	B	C
1	were used to	used to	got used to
2	which	that	whose
3	take	hold	give
4	on average	in return	with change
5	helps	contributes	provides

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