

Reading

3 Read the text. Complete gaps 1-4 with sentences A-F. There are two extra sentences.

Have you ever wished you had your own place? ¹ _____ Using materials which mostly came from recycling centres, he constructed his own home. It's got everything he needs, including a kitchen, a bathroom (with shower), a bedroom and a toilet. ² _____ It's unusual for another reason too – it's built on wheels, so Austin can take it with him wherever he goes. He did most of the work himself although he had some help from his father and family friends. The whole thing took less than two years.

³ _____ Then he moved in, and he's lived there ever since. He likes the independence, and he likes 'living small', he says, because it's cheap and green. ⁴ _____ However, when he leaves school and goes to university, he won't leave it behind.

He's going to take it with him, and live in it while he studies. Then, when he gets a job, he plans to take his little house with him once more.

- A On the other hand, he doesn't have to stay in one place.
- B The house, which is only about forty square metres, is one of the world's smallest houses.
- C That's exactly how American teenager Austin Hay felt – before he built his own house at the age of sixteen!
- D He got the idea from a website which tells you how to build tiny houses.
- E As soon as the house was finished, Austin held the smallest party ever.
- F At the moment, the house is parked in his parents' garden.