

**READING UNIT 6**

**1** For these questions, choose the correct answer.

**Unusual homes around the world**

**Plastic bottle homes, El Salvador**

I imagine you've never seen a home made from plastic bottles before, have you? Plastic bottle homes help people who haven't got a home. They are usually small houses, with only a few rooms: a bedroom, a living room, a kitchen with a sink, and a bathroom. Many of the homes have got electricity and a few have even got air conditioning, dishwashers and heating! Just think: next time you recycle a few plastic bottles, you might be helping to make a new home!



**The crocodile house, Ivory Coast**

You couldn't live in a crocodile, could you? Well, yes – you can, actually! Thierry Atta, an artist from Ivory Coast, lives in a crocodile home. The house is shaped like a crocodile and it's built from recycled materials. The home has got only one room with a sink and a bed. It hasn't got electricity, so instead of bulbs, Thierry Atta uses a lot of candles at night.



**The hobbit house, Wales**

Fifteen years ago, Simon Dale built his home in the Welsh countryside. It is called the hobbit house because it looks like the hobbit homes from the film *The Lord of the Rings*. Simon recycled old materials that he found in rubbish tips to build the house. The home has got three bedrooms, a lounge and a kitchen. The family uses energy from the sun to make electricity, and they use wood to make a fire for their heating in the winter. They also get water from a nearby river.



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| <p>1 What have a lot of the plastic homes got?<br/>A curtains<br/>B electricity<br/>C dishwashers</p> <p>2 The crocodile house hasn't got<br/>A a sink.<br/>B windows.<br/>C electricity.</p> <p>3 Thierry Atta uses<br/>A much candles.<br/>B a few candles.<br/>C a lot of candles.</p> | <p>4 What did Simon Dale use to build the hobbit house?<br/>A wood<br/>B rubbish<br/>C water</p> <p>5 What does Simon Dale use to keep the hobbit house warm?<br/>A wood<br/>B heating<br/>C water</p> |
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**READING UNIT 5**

**2) Complete with the words from the box. (5 P)**

tap electricity candle plugs bulbs heating

- 1 The power went off last night and we were all in the dark. We had a candle but we couldn't find any matches to light it with!
- 2 We have special low-energy \_\_\_\_\_ in all the lights in our house. They're expensive, but they last a long time and they don't use much power.
- 3 The \_\_\_\_\_ in England are a different shape, and so I couldn't find a place to recharge my phone.
- 4 Our local gym doesn't need \_\_\_\_\_ to power the machines and lights. Instead, they use the power from people using the exercise bikes!
- 5 We live in a tropical country. It's horrible when the weather is cold because the houses don't have any \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 I hate this washbasin. The water from one \_\_\_\_\_ is boiling hot, and the water from the other is freezing cold!