

02 Home

The place where we live

1 Label the pictures with the words in the box.

villa bungalow block of flats mansion cottage detached house terraced house semi-detached house



1 _____



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____



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7 _____



8 _____

2 Complete the text messages with the correct words in the box.

view rural ground floor end neighbourhood nursing home suburbs close lift
edge residents studio flat overlooks converted

1 Just seen a (1) _____ in town. Can you come over and look at it again with me? Small but cosy! And (2) _____ to the Old Town.

3 You know that big old country house on the (6) _____ of Newbury? They've (7) _____ it into flats and I've got a (8) _____ one! The (9) _____ is brilliant! My flat (10) _____ the gardens and river. Come round for a visit.

2 Dan's moved out of the centre of town to the (3) _____. He's got an (4) _____ of a terrace in Keane's Road. It's just down from the shops. Looks like a nice (5) _____ – no vandals or too much noise! Party there on Saturday. Can you come?

4 Gran's finally moved into a (11) _____. She needs looking after all the time. But it's really nice. Her room's on the second floor but there's a (12) _____ for all the (13) _____. It's in a (14) _____ area just outside a small village. Let's go and visit her tomorrow.

COLLOCATIONS

EXTENDED

3 Choose the correct words to complete the adverts. Then match three adverts with pictures A-C.

1 _____

Are you looking for somewhere modern and easy to maintain / retain when you're older? How about one of our new old age / retirement flats which are under building / construction in Long Road?

2 _____

Ideal for students at the local college – we are renting out two purpose-built parts / bedsits in our property in James' Court. Phone for an appointment to view.

3 _____

Got a young family and want a new house at an affordable / economic price? Check out the new two and three-bedroomed properties on the Hadley Housing / Home Estate.

4 _____

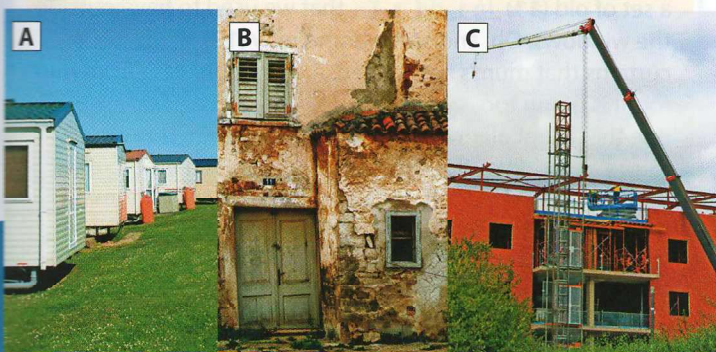
Looking for a challenge? We have some rather bad condition / run-down older houses in need of renovation / renewal at our auction on Wednesday. Come and make your bid / bet for a potential money-spinner.

5 _____

Here at Grantly's, we pride ourselves on looking after the elderly. We offer covered / sheltered accommodation for those who still want to live in their own homes but like the security of knowing there is help when they need it.

6 _____

House prices too high? Go for something much cheaper but with style – you'll find exactly what you want at our movable / mobile home park in Marchwood. Compact, but with all new connections / mod cons.



4 Complete the two sets of email directions with the correct words.

To: donna_s@mail.co

Well, it's a bit off the beaten (1) t_____ – actually, it's in the (2) m_____ of nowhere! But you'll love it because it's in the (3) h_____ of the countryside and very (4) is_____. It's away from the (5) h_____ and b_____ of the city centre that you're used to. It's along a very narrow country (6) l_____ that goes on for miles. Call if you get lost!

The new flat is great. We're in a very (7) ce_____ location, within (8) w_____ distance of all the local (9) am_____ and just a (10) s_____ throw from Jack's office. It's excellent. The public (11) t_____ for getting about the area is excellent. You'll find us easily. If you park in the city centre car park, we're just (12) a_____ s_____ the road, (13) a_____ the bookshop.

Describing houses

5 Match the words in the box with definitions 1-6.

shed spare room hall porch attic cellar

- We store things there that we don't need very often. We use a narrow ladder to get up there when we need to. _____
- My dad likes to keep his wine there because it's nice and cool. _____
- This is outside the entrance to our house so that people don't get wet at the front door. _____
- When you come into the house, you hang your coat here. _____
- Dad has this at the bottom of the garden. He repairs things there. _____
- Our friends stay there when they come to visit. _____

6 Unscramble words 1-11 to complete the blog.

We viewed the house but it's not what we wanted. There are all sorts of problems. The (1) VIDRE _____ is pretty overgrown with weeds and the side (2) TAGE _____ is broken. The garden (3) FNEEC _____ has fallen down and the grass is really long! The (4) PESTS _____ going up to the porch are very steep, and inside, the hall is quite dark and all the main rooms (5) DWONTSARSI _____ are a bit (6) GIDYN _____. On the plus side, the rooms have high (7) GLICEINS _____ and there is a lovely (8) RIFEPALC _____ in the dining room. That's good because there isn't any central (9) HGENIAT _____! The (10) MICHNEY _____ is blocked, however, and needs cleaning! There's a carport but no garage and the (11) DEGHE _____ is so high it blocks out a lot of sunlight from the garden. I don't think we'd like to move there. Just too much work to do! Oh well, onto the next one ...
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