

GYMNASIUM CLASS B

OWN IT 2 : UNITS 5-6: DREAM HOUSES/ HIDDEN DANGER

Teacher: Jovanna Xenophonos

TASK 1



Read the article and answer the following questions.

Home is a place to relax, play and enjoy spending time with family. Of course, accidents happen, and there will be a few bruises along the way. Children have a natural desire to learn and love to explore and discover new things. And that's OK. The problem is the more serious injuries that are often completely preventable. Here, you'll learn about what you can do to keep younger brothers or sister healthy and safe at home.

One of the ways young, curious kids learn about their surroundings is through their sense of touch. Sometimes their explorations can lead them to reach out and touch hot objects, resulting in an injury. Remind your mum to cook on the back burners of the stove and turn pot handles away from the edge. Another good idea would be to keep hot foods and drinks away from the edge of tables.

Falls are the main cause of injury among children. To prevent falls, make sure to keep the stairs clear of anything people can trip over. Even a small toy can be a tripping hazard. Teach your younger brother or sister an easy way to store toys and make sure every playdate ends without injury. You could also secure skateboards, bikes, and other mobile toys in a safe area where family members and visitors won't trip on them.

Although it may seem incredible, many common houseplants are dangerous to humans and can make a child seriously ill if they eat any of the leaves or flowers. Some plants can cause poisoning even by touching the leaves. Tell your parents that it's important to educate themselves on the different kinds of plants they choose to have in their home and

whether they can be poisonous to their children. If you already have a plant which is dangerous, ask your parents to put it in a place out of reach, like on a bookshelf.

1. The writer tells us that children are, by nature, _____.

- A. funny
- B. strange
- C. curious

2. In order to avoid burn injuries, we should_____.

- A. keep hot food out of the reach of children
- B. avoid eating hot food
- C. teach young children how to cook safely

3. Falls are the _____ cause of injury in children .

- A. most common
- B. rarest
- C. most accepted

4. Many people will be _____ to learn that houseplants can be a health hazard.

- A. scared
- B. surprised
- C. confused

5. The writer's purpose is to_____.

- A. amuse and entertain
- B. persuade and criticise
- C. inform and advise

TASK 2

For each question write the correct answer . Write ONE word for each gap.

Dream houses come to life!



When you were younger, what did your dream home look like? We asked children between the ages of 4 and 10 to draw us their ideal home, and then computer experts brought those homes to life. House agents then saw the 3D models and told us how much these houses would cost on the market.

Alya, a ten-year-old girl, drew one of these dream houses . It is a house in the shape of a unicorn. A house agent says that if someone decides to build it today, it **1.** _____ cost £ 5.5 million! That's more **2.** _____ than most people can afford! Alya's house has got two floors and it is full of colour and light. It has a lot of windows which are **3.** _____ than ordinary windows, but still big **4.** _____ to let light in. It also has rainbows on the walls. On the ground floor there is a large living room with a fluffy **5.** _____ on the floor and a comfortable corner sofa. The kitchen is small, but cosy, with a unicorn-shaped table and chairs. There is also a **6.** _____ for washing the dishes and a huge fridge. Upstairs there are three **7.** _____ with large double beds and bathrooms, and a study area with desks and **8.** _____ for books on the walls. There is a large balcony, too, which overlooks the garden. The **9.** _____ from the balcony is amazing! The 3D model also shows a slide which drops into a swimming pool. The property seems to be far away from the city, in a quiet area in the middle of a forest. If you look at Alya's drawing, you can see trees in the **10.** _____.

Adapted from: <https://www.boredpanda.com/kids-drawings-brought-life-houses>

TASK 3

Your English teacher has asked you to write a story.

Your story must begin with the sentence:

When I looked at the water, I could never imagine
the danger I would be in.



Your story should be about 100 words long.