

Houses of the World

All over the world, kids live in different kinds of houses.

This is a house in Southeast Asia. There are a lot of trees, so houses are made of wood.

It floods there sometimes, so houses are built on poles to be above the water.

This house is in Africa. There are not a lot of trees.

This house is made of mud, not wood. The mud helps to keep the house cool inside.

This house is used by a family in Mongolia.

The family moves a lot and takes their house with them. They can fold it up when it is time to move.

Now you know a little more about houses around the world.

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Pre-Reading Questions

Have you ever wanted to travel to another country? Do people in other countries live the same way we do? In this story, we will learn about different kinds of houses from many places in the world.

Comprehension Questions (Answer Key)

1) Some houses in southeast Asia are built up on poles to _____.

- A. keep the house cool inside
- B. be above flood water**
- C. prevent bugs from going inside

2) Some houses in Africa are built out of mud bricks instead of wood because _____.

- A. mud bricks are easy to pack and move
- B. wood might catch on fire in the desert sun
- C. mud helps keep the house cool**

3) When a Mongolian family needs to move, they _____.

- A. leave their house behind
- B. get rid of the mud
- C. fold up their house**