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| **UNIT 10: OUR HOUSES IN THE FUTURE**  **LESSON 5. SKILLS 1**  Practice | Name: | Class: | Score: |
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**Choose the correct answers to complete the passage.**

Are you tired (1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the colour or pattern of your walls? In a smart home, you won’t have to (2)\_\_\_\_\_\_ them. The walls will actually be digital screens, like computer or TV screens.

A computer network will link these walls with (3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ else in your house. Called “ambient intelligence,” this computer “brain” will control your entire house. It will also adapt to your (4)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Your house will learn about your likes and dislikes. It will then use that knowledge to control the environment. For example, it will set the heat in the house to your (5)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ temperature. It will turn on the shower at the right temperature. It will also darken the windows at night and lighten them when it’s (6)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to wake up.

1. a. with b. of c. in d. by

2. a. build b. cover c. pull d. repaint

3. a. thing b. everything c. anything d. nothing

4. a. prefering b. preferable c. preferably d. preferences

5. a. favourite b. terrible c. high d. clearly

6. a. occasion b. way c. time d. order

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

**A lovely house**

Peter lives in a house near the sea. It’s an old house, about 100 years old, and it’s very small. There are two bedrooms upstairs but no bathroom. The bathroom is downstairs next to the kitchen and there’s a living room where there is a lovely fireplace. There’s a garden in front of the house. The garden goes down to the beach and in spring and summer there are flowers everywhere. Peter lives alone with his dog, Boxer, but they have a lot of visitors. Their city friends often stay with them. Peter loves his house for many reasons: the garden, the flowers in summer, the fire in winter, but the best thing is the view from his bedroom window. Peter is thinking of a new house in the future with the help of Robots.

1. Where is the house? ………………………………………………………………………………
2. How old is the house? ………………………………………………………………………………
3. How many rooms are there upstairs? ………………………………………………………………………………
4. Is there a bathroom upstairs? ………………………………………………………………………………
5. Is there a fire place in the kitchen? ………………………………………………………………………………
6. What’s the dog’s name? ………………………………………………………………………………
7. Who often come to stay with them? ………………………………………………………………………………
8. What reasons does Peter love his house?……………………………………………………………………………

**Match the two halves of the sentences.**

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| 1. I would love a self-cleaning house |  | A. so I could watch programmes from space |
| 1. I would like an eco-house |  | B. that could automatically wash, dry and fold my clothes. |
| 1. I would like a front door |  | C. that does all the housework for me. |
| 1. I would like a wireless TV |  | D. that automatically makes itself every morning. |
| 1. I would like a robot chef |  | E. that could re-order fresh food and offer up recipes. |
| 1. I would love a bed |  | F. with a fingerprint scanner for security. |
| 1. I would like a hi-tech fridge |  | G. that could cook all my meals for me. |
| 1. I would love a smart washing machine |  | H. that uses renewable energy |

**ANSWER KEYS**

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**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

1. Where is the house?

**It's near the sea.**

1. How old is the house?

**It’s about 100 years old.**

1. How many rooms are there upstairs?

**There are two bedrooms upstairs.**

1. Is there a bathroom upstairs?

**No, there isn't**

1. Is there a fire place in the kitchen?

**No, there isn't**

1. What’s the dog’s name?

**The dog’s name is Boxer.**

1. Who often come to stay with them?

**Their city friends often come to stay.with them.**

1. What reasons does Peter love his house?

**Peter loves his house for many reasons: the garden, the flowers in the summer, the fire in**

**winter, but the best thing is the view from his bedroom window.**

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| 1. I would like an eco-house | **2-H** | B. that could automatically wash, dry and fold my clothes. |
| 1. I would like a front door | **3-F** | C. that does all the housework for me. |
| 1. I would like a wireless TV | **4-A** | D. that automatically makes itself every morning. |
| 1. I would like a robot chef | **5-G** | E. that could re-order fresh food and offer up recipes. |
| 1. I would love a bed | **6-D** | F. with a fingerprint scanner for security. |
| 1. I would like a hi-tech fridge | **7-E** | G. that could cook all my meals for me. |
| 1. I would love a smart washing machine | **8-B** | H. that uses renewable energy |