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**In this lesson, we shall learn about :**



- Need for a house
- Kinds of houses
- Special houses
- People who help in building a house

### **New Words**

bungalow, temporary, cadets, banjaras, gypsies, eskimos, regions, tourists, architect, electrician

All of us need a **house** to live in. Our house protects us from **heat**, **cold**, **rain**, **storm**, **thieves** and **animals**. We feel **safe** and **comfortable** in our house. The house where we live with our family is called our **home**.



### **Remember**

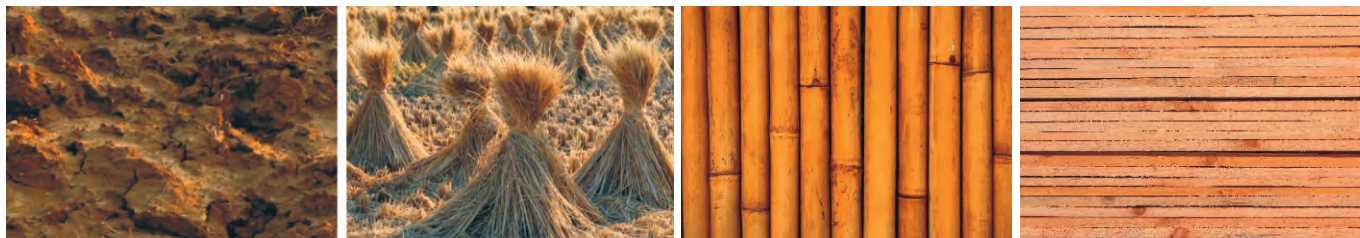
An ideal house is that which is sunny and airy.



**Kinds of houses:** There are many kinds of houses. We have huts, buildings, bungalows, flats to live in. Some houses are kachcha houses and some are pucca houses.



**1. Kachcha houses :** We find kachcha houses in **villages**. These are made of mud, straw, bamboo and wood. These houses are not very strong. They cost less but do not last long.



*A bamboo hut*



*A hut*



*A thatched hut*

**Activity**

Have you ever visited a village and seen a kachcha house there ?  
If so, write what you have liked in that house.



**2. Pucca houses:** Pucca houses are made of bricks, cement and iron. We find them mostly in **cities** and **towns**. Pucca houses are stronger than kachcha houses. They cost more but last for many years.



*Simple pucca house*



*A bungalow*



*A multi-storeyed building*

Bungalow, multi-storeyed buildings, flats are some examples of pucca houses.

**Activity**

What type of house do you live in ?

**Special houses:** Some people live in special houses.

**Tents :** Tents are temporary houses. People such as soldiers and N.C.C. cadets temporarily live in tents. They can fold and carry tents anywhere they go. Tents are made of thick **cloth**. We can use tents when we go for a picnic also.





**2. Caravan :** A caravan is a house on wheels. The people who move from one place to another in search of livelihood, live in caravans. They use them to go from place to place taking their belongings. **Banjaras** and **gypsies** live in caravans.



**3. Igloo:** An igloo is a house of snow. **Eskimos** live in igloos. They build them with the blocks of **snow** or ice. Eskimos live in the coldest regions. These regions are covered with snow during winters.

**4. House-boat :** A house - boat is a floating house. We find these houses in the Dal Lake of **Kashmir**. Tourists love to stay in house-boats. House-boats are very beautiful and comfortable to live in.



### People who help in building our houses



- An **architect** draws the house plan.
- A **mason** and **labourers** build the house with bricks and cement.





■ A **plumber** fits water pipes and taps.



■ An **electrician** fits the lights and fans. He does the wiring and fixes the switch boards.



■ A **carpenter** makes doors, windows, cupboards and other furniture.

■ A **painter** paints the house.



All these people help us to build a beautiful and comfortable house.



### ■ THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. All of us need a house to live in.
2. A house protects us from heat, cold, rain and thieves.
3. The house where we live with our family is called our home.
4. We have different types of houses to live in.
5. Many people help us to build our house.



### EXERCISE

#### A. Write 'True' or 'False' :






1. Kachcha houses are found in towns. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Flats are pucca houses. \_\_\_\_\_
3. A building has a number of flats. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Multistoreyed buildings are kachcha houses . \_\_\_\_\_
5. We live in a house with our family. \_\_\_\_\_



**B. Fill in the blanks :**

1. We find kachcha houses in \_\_\_\_\_
2. Tents are \_\_\_\_\_ houses.
3. An \_\_\_\_\_ is a house of snow.
4. An \_\_\_\_\_ draws the house plan.
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ paints the house.

**C. Match the following :**

- |    |                                                                                     |   |   |                      |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|----------------------|
| 1. |    | • | • | Lights and fans      |
| 2. |   | • | • | Pucca house          |
| 3. |  | • | • | Water pipes and taps |
| 4. |  | • | • | A house on wheels    |
| 5. |  | • | • | House-boat           |

**D. Read the clues and write their names:**

1. A house built of clothes \_\_\_\_\_
2. A house on wheels \_\_\_\_\_
3. A house floating on the water \_\_\_\_\_
4. A house made of ice \_\_\_\_\_
5. A house built of mud and straw \_\_\_\_\_



**E. Name the persons who do the following :**

- 1. He fits the lights and fans in our house. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. He builds our house with bricks. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. He paints our house. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. He draws the plan of our house. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. He fits taps in our house. \_\_\_\_\_

**F. Answer the following questions :**

- 1. Why do we need a house ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. What is a home ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. What are kachcha houses ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4. What are pucca houses ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Where do we find house-boats ?  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Project / Activity*

**G. Here are hidden some names of special houses in this word puzzle. Read the clues and fill in the boxes to find their names:**

**Down :**

- 1. Soldiers live in \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Eskimos live in \_\_\_\_\_

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**Across :**

- 1. Tourists love to stay in this floating house.
- 2. Banjaras live in \_\_\_\_\_