

HOUSING DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'housing'?
- 2) Is there a problem with housing in your country?
- 3) Does your government provide housing for people on low or no income?
- 4) Are you interested in the state of the housing market?
- 5) Is it easy to find good quality housing in your town?
- 6) What are the housing estates / housing projects like in your area?
- 7) Do you think there'll be housing shortages in your town / country in the future?
- 8) Do you think everyone on a low income should get a housing allowance / housing benefit?
- 9) If you belonged to your local housing association, what points would you consider raising?
- 10) What do you think of the sheltered housing system in which governments provide accommodation for the aged and homeless?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) Is there a minister for housing in your government and does he/she do a good job?
- 2) How can housing be made affordable for everyone?
- 3) Do you think the housing situation in your country is better than that in your neighbouring countries?
- 4) Do you know anything about your government's housing policy?
- 5) Have you ever seen very poor quality housing?
- 6) What happens in your country when there is a housing boom or a housing slump?
- 7) Do you understand how and why poor housing figures in the USA in October 2007 affected the world's economies?
- 8) What issues will arise with housing of the future?
- 9) Which countries have major problems with housing?
- 10) What would housing on the Moon or Mars look like?

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