



## EXTRA ACTIVITIES UNIT 2

### THE NARROWEST HOUSE IN THE WORLD

How big is your house? Are there two, three or **maybe** four bedrooms? Is there a dining room as well as a living room? Can you put a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe and cupboards in your bedroom? **Perhaps** there are windows to **let in** the light. Well, imagine living in the **narrowest** house in the world! It's only one and a half metres **wide** and it's too small for **stairs**. There's a **ladder** to go up to the very, very small bedroom.

This house is called "Keret House" and it **belongs** to Israeli writer, Etgar Keret. Etgar thinks we need more houses today. Many people don't have homes and this is a big problem. His very **narrow** house shows that people can live in small places. He built it between two other big buildings.

There aren't many rooms in Etgar's house. There's a **tiny** kitchen with a sink (you can put two cups and plates in it!) and a small cooker. There's a fridge too, but there isn't space for food, only two drinks. There is also a dinner table with chairs for two people. There isn't a bath, but Etgar washes under a shower which is above the tiny toilet. Up the ladder there's one small bed and a little desk with a light. There are some books on a shelf behind his bed. And that's it! There aren't real windows, only two **holes** in the wall. Etgar can see if it's light or dark outside.

Etgar built his house because he wants people to think about housing problems. It was an art project. Now, he sometimes stays and works there. It's OK for one person for a short time, but for a family? No way!

Would you like to live here?

#### A. Circle the correct alternative

1. Keret House has **one / two** bedroom(s)
2. **One person /two people** can eat at the table.
3. Etgar **lives/doesn't live** here all the time.
4. It's probably a **good/bad** place for a family.
5. When he built it Etgar **planned/ didn't plan** to live there.
6. Keret House is **very close to/ a long way from** other buildings.

#### B. Where do you think you can read this text?

1. In a magazine
2. On line
3. In a book

#### C. Match the words in bold from the article with these definitions

1. Can be .....



2. Too, also .....
3. Come into .....
4. Thinnest .....
5. Opposite of thin .....
6. Steps that go up and down usually inside a house .....
7. We use this to climb up to high places usually outside .....
8. Have got .....
9. Very small .....
10. Something that you can do with your hands or with an object in the sand .....

**D. Complete the sentences with words from activity 6**

1. There are no ..... in this house. Every room is on one floor.
2. There aren't any windows in this house only two ..... On the walls.
3. My mum uses a ..... To go up the apple tree in the garden.
4. The garden is big and ..... We can play football with our friends there
5. My baby sister is two days old. She's really .....
6. The road is ..... Only one car can drive down it.
7. The maths teacher doesn't want to ..... the light from outside.
8. That lap top ..... To Marta.
9. The corridors of the school aren't .....

**E. Answer these questions.**

1. Does your mother cook in the bedroom?
2. Does your sister sleep in the garage?
3. Do your parents put their car in the hall?
4. Do the children play football in the bathroom?
5. Does your brother have a shower in the kitchen?



6. Do you watch TV in the garden?

**F. Complete the sentences with a word or a verb.**

1. You're tall. Can you give me something from the top ..... in the kitchen cupboard?
2. We eat our dinner in the dinning room on the dining .....
3. I've got a chair and a .....in my room. I sit and study here.
4. Do you wash in the bath or the .....
5. My grandmother sometimes falls asleep in an ..... In front of the TV.
6. All four children can sit on the ..... In the living room. It's really big!
7. It's my job to wash the ..... After dinner.
8. I always ..... my bed after breakfast.
9. Please ..... the table for dinner.
10. My dad can ..... really nice food.

**G. Match the verbs with these actions. (clean / dust / feed / load or empty / walk / water)**

1. .... the dishwasher
2. .... the cat.
3. .... the windows.
4. .... the dog.
5. .... the furniture.
6. .... the plants.

**H. Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.**

1. The cups are ..... The shelf above the sink.
2. The teacher usually stands ..... The class.
3. My dog sleeps ..... The floor.
4. I have a box of old CDs ..... my bed. You can't see them.
5. My house is ..... my school, only two minutes away.
6. The cat is ..... a box under the desk.