

**BEFORE YOU READ**

- How many rooms are there in your house?
- What's your favourite room in your house?

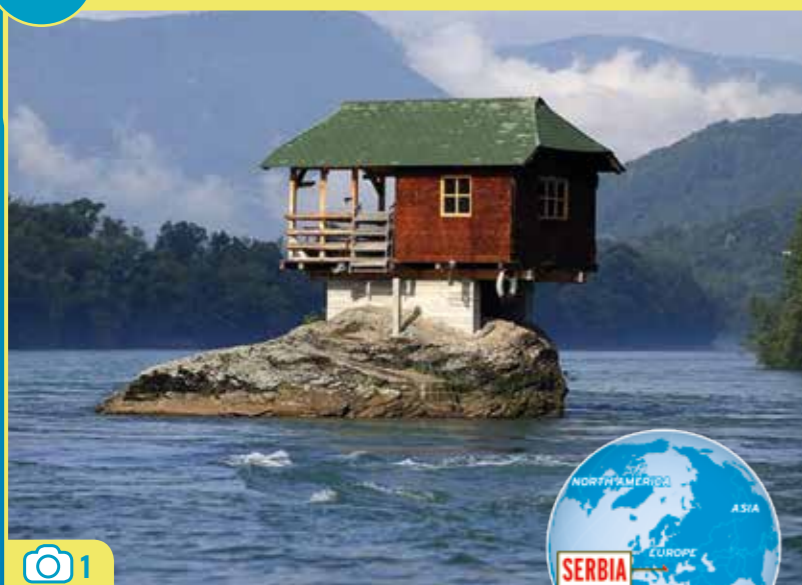
# CRAZY HOUSES

Houses have bedrooms, kitchens, bathrooms, four walls\*, and a roof\* ... or do they?

**DO YOU WANT TO LIVE IN ANY OF THESE HOUSES?**

Here are four very different houses from around the world! Read about each house, and choose where you want to live!

**1 A HOUSE IN A RIVER!**



**Location:** Serbia

**Description:** In the River Drina, near Belgrade, there are lots of fish ... and a house! It's got red walls and a green roof. There's a small wooden balcony, so you can sit outside. But you need a boat to visit this house!

- ✓ It's good for: relaxing, fishing, swimming
- ✗ It's bad for: internet, visiting friends, playing football

**2 A GLASS HOUSE!**



**Location:** Japan

**Description:** This house in Tokyo hasn't got any walls ... but it has got a lot of windows! It's got a garage, a bedroom and a kitchen, too! There's a nice view, but what do you do when you get dressed\*?

- ✓ It's good for: reading, watching the sunset
- ✗ It's bad for: sleeping, getting dressed

**3 A NARROW\* HOUSE!**



**Location:** Poland

**Description:** Can you see it? This house is very narrow – it's only 122 centimetres wide ... that's the same as 1.5 skateboards! There's a bedroom with a desk, a bathroom, and a table where you can eat. But you need to buy take-aways, because there's no kitchen!

- ✓ It's good for: standing, sleeping
- ✗ It's bad for: big families, pets, cooking

**4 A GIANT HOUSE!**



**Location:** Russia

**Description:** Everything in this house is giant! This is a photo of the bathroom! There's a giant toilet and a giant washing machine!

- ✓ It's good for: tall people
- ✗ It's bad for: sleeping, short people

**YOU!** Which house do you want to live in?

- the house in the river
- the glass house
- the giant house
- the narrow house

**Why?** .....

**DRAW IT!** Draw your dream house, and label it. What's inside? What's outside?

- Use these words:
- roof
  - wall
  - window
  - kitchen
  - living room
  - bedroom
  - bathroom

Outside

Inside

**\* WORDWISE**

English	French	Italian	German	Dutch	Spanish
wall	un mur	muro	Wand	muur	la pared
roof	un toit	tetto	Dach	dak	el tejado
to get dressed	s'habiller	vestirsi	sich anziehen	aankleden	vestirse
narrow	étroit	stretto	schmal	smal	estrecho

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