

This home is in the desert. It is made of baked **clay**. The clay keeps the house cool.



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This home is in the Arctic. It is made from blocks of ice and snow. Yet people stay warm inside.

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Student Reader, Book 2, pp. 24–25



Teacher Tips

SUPPLEMENTAL READING Invite students to select other books on the subject of different kinds of homes.

DIGITAL TOOLS As students read the selection, have them look for definitions of difficult words from the text using an online dictionary.



Comprehension Skills

Compare and Contrast

- ◆ Tell students to look at the descriptions of the houses on pages 24 and 25. Ask the following questions:
 - *Where were these two houses built? **Possible Answer** One house is in the desert, and the other house is in the Arctic, where ice is found.*
 - *What materials were used to make these two houses? Why were those materials used? **Possible Answers** The house in the desert is made of baked clay to keep out the desert heat. The house in the Arctic is made of ice to keep out the cold.*
- ◆ Have students read carefully the text on pages 26 and 27. Ask students how these houses are different from and similar to the houses they have read about so far in the selection. **Possible Answers** *These homes are built quickly. They are simple and are not meant to last long. They have walls and roofs like other houses. They are sturdy.*