

Home Sweet Home

Amazing Fact

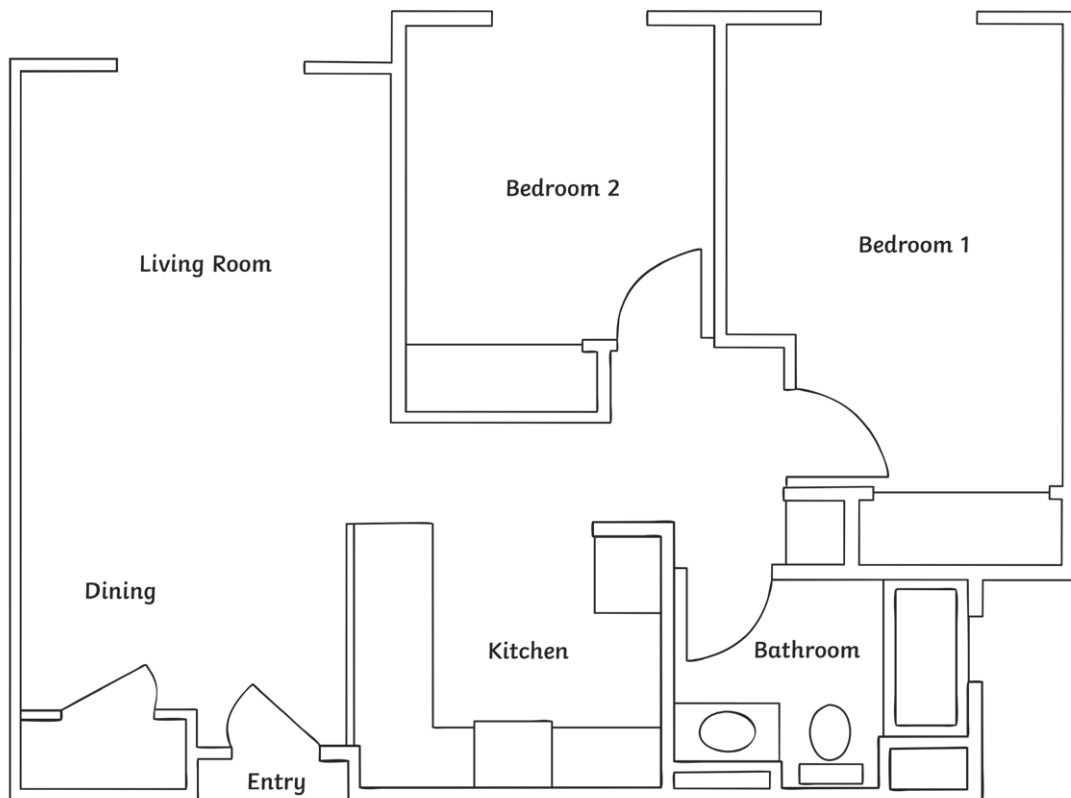
60% of the people in Coober Pedy, Australia, live in caves beneath the ground or excavated from cliffs. The temperature in the caves, or 'dugouts' as they are known, is cooler than a conventional house in the extreme heat of the outback.

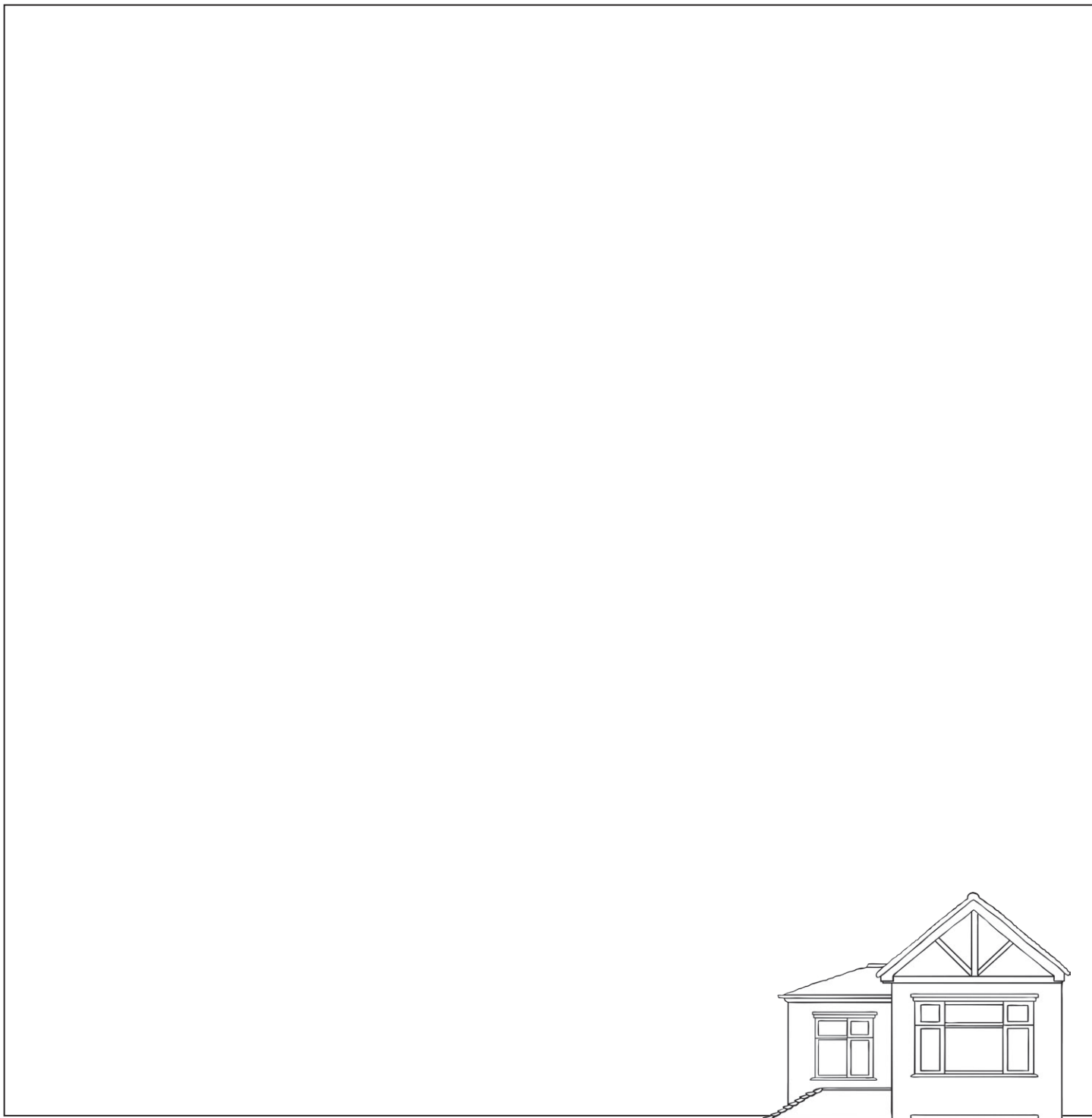
Challenge

When people build their own homes, they often begin by creating a floor plan. Design your dream home using a floor plan. The picture below will help you to begin.

Think about:

- what is essential to have in your home;
- what you would like to have in your home;
- what other people who live there would need.





You could also try to find out:

- what other buildings apart from houses are 'dugouts';
- what the town looks like from the surface;
- what the daily and night-time temperatures are in Coober Pedy throughout the year;
- who Charles Sturt was and what role he played in the exploration of Australia.