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OPTION B: THE TINY HOUSE RAGE **KEY**

1 While TV shows like *Tiny House, Big Living* have made the tiny-house movement fashionable, it's really not new at all. Back in the
2 1840s, Henry David Thoreau lived in a 15-square-metre house as a personal experiment on the concept of simplification.

3 This idea seems to have gained popularity in recent years, making "tiny living" an option for many people. Not only is a small home
4 part of a minimalist lifestyle, but some tiny homes can also be mobile — which allows you to travel more. Some people use tiny living
5 as a way to save money on monthly expenses, get out of debt, and retire early. So, how much does living small cost? Can you really
6 save money by moving into a tiny house?

7 The average price for a home in the US is \$257,990. Of course, this varies from state to state. Even in the lower-value states, the
8 cost of buying or building a tiny home is still a fraction of the cost of buying a normal home. And the structure isn't the only place where
9 you'll save money. Some tiny homes are set up with solar panels in order to make use of and store energy from the sun and make
10 powering appliances cheaper. Furthermore, tiny houses can be made to be more energy-efficient by using certain appliances, LED
11 light bulbs, and the like.

12 There are a few other excellent reasons to go small. For instance, you could also use a tiny home on your property for loved ones.
13 If you have an aging parent who doesn't need round-the-clock care but needs to be close by, a tiny home might be the perfect option
14 for them.

I * COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. According to the text, Henry David Thoreau... **(d)**

- (a) couldn't afford a big house. (b) liked *Tiny House, Big Living* a lot.
(c) is a current supporter of tiny houses. (d) decided to live in a tiny house.

2. According to the text, the people who buy tiny houses... **(b)**

- (a) enjoy staying at home. (b) reduce costs.
(c) are young. (d) are fans of Henry D. Thoreau.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT, OR USE YOUR OWN WORDS. (0.5 points each)

3. Thoreau decided to go small only because he wanted to save money. **FALSE (lines 1-2)** "*Back in the 1840s, Henry David Thoreau lived in a 15-square-metre house as a personal experiment on the concept of simplification.*"

4. In a few states, normal houses are as cheap as tiny ones. **FALSE (lines 7-8)** "*Even in the lower-value states, the cost of buying or building a tiny home is still a fraction of the cost of buying a normal home.*"

5. Every tiny home is equipped with alternative energy sources to save electricity. **FALSE (lines 9-10)** "*Some tiny homes are set up with solar panels in order to make use of and store energy from the sun and make powering appliances cheaper.*"

6. Tiny houses can sometimes be a good choice to take care of the elderly in the family. **TRUE (lines 13-14)** "*If you have an aging parent who doesn't need round-the-clock care but needs to be close by, a tiny home might be the perfect option for them.*"

7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

- 7.1. ONE SYNONYM FOR "test" (noun). **experiment (line 2)**
7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR "ordinary" (adjective). **normal (line 8)**

8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

- 8.1. ONE WORD MEANING "money owed to others." **debt (line 5)**
8.2. ONE WORD MEANING "household device operated by electric current." **appliance(s) (line 10)**

II * USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 points each)

9. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS:

9.1. "I ran out of milk. I forgot ... some." (buy) **to buy**

9.2. "Please, let me... it." (do) **do**

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:

10.1. "We were not able to get home earlier... the heavy rain." due to / despite / because / therefore **due to**

10.2. "... people play rugby in Spain." a lot / few / much / little **few**

11. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO DIRECT SPEECH: "Tom asked her to give him another chance." **"(Please,) (do) give me another chance," Tom told her / said to her / asked her. / "Can you (please) give me another chance?" Tom asked her.**

12. REWRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "You'd better see a doctor." **If I... If I were you, I would see a doctor.**

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE ACTIVE VOICE: "The job was finally offered to someone else." **We / They /The company finally offered the job to someone else.**

14. THERE ARE TWO MISTAKES IN THIS SENTENCE. FIND THE MISTAKES AND REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: "You haven't to tell your friends that you have bought a more small house." **You don't have to tell / haven't got to tell / needn't tell / don't need to tell your friends that you have bought a smaller house.**

III * WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:

Describe your ideal home. Give reasons.