

Places and Dwellings—

Places People Live & Types of Dwellings People Live In



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Everyday we go to places and enter dwellings or buildings. There is an abundance of words that describe the different places we go and the different types of dwellings we enter. We've sorted many of these words into four different groups.

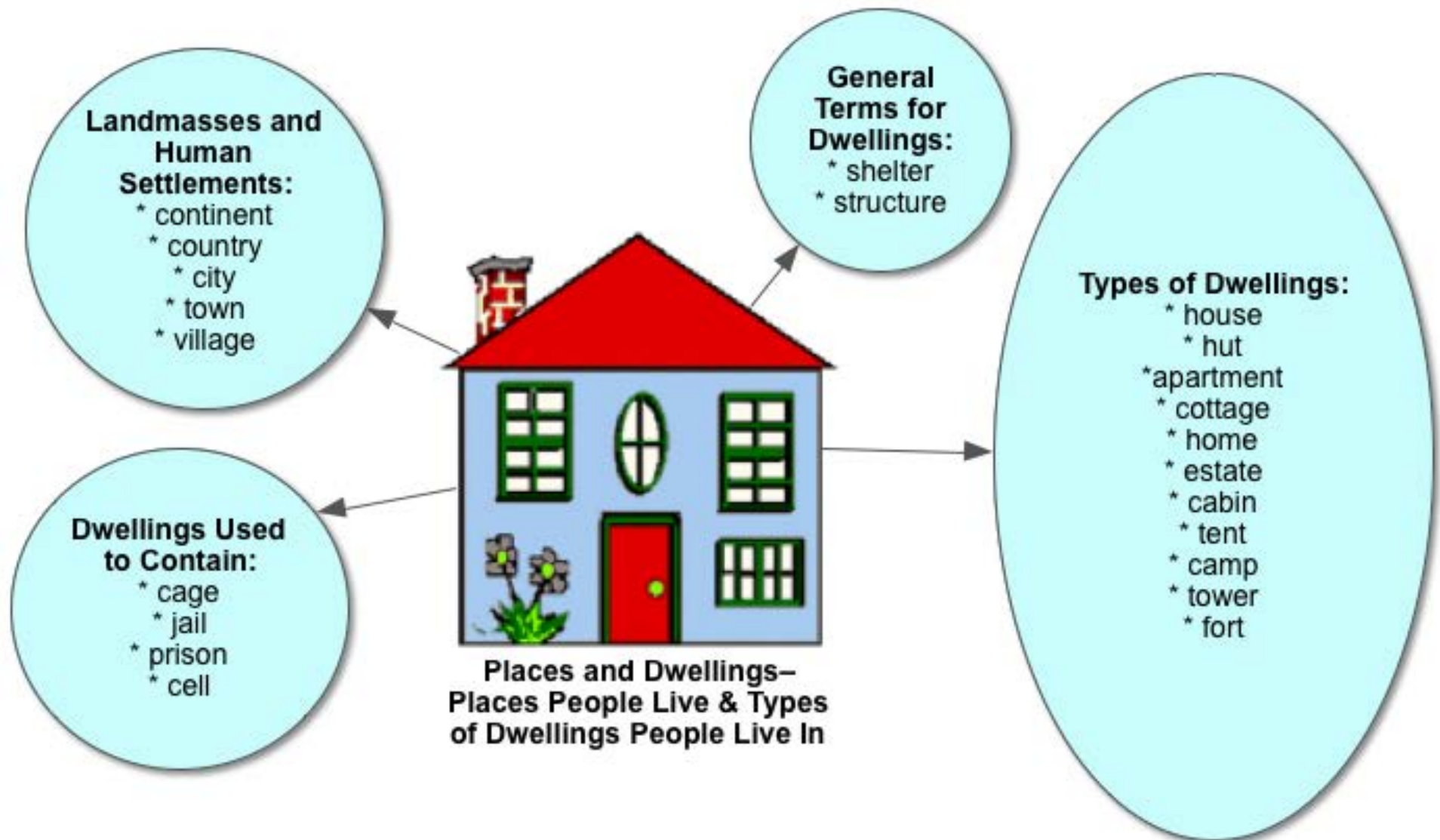
Let's take a look at some of the core vocabulary words we've included.



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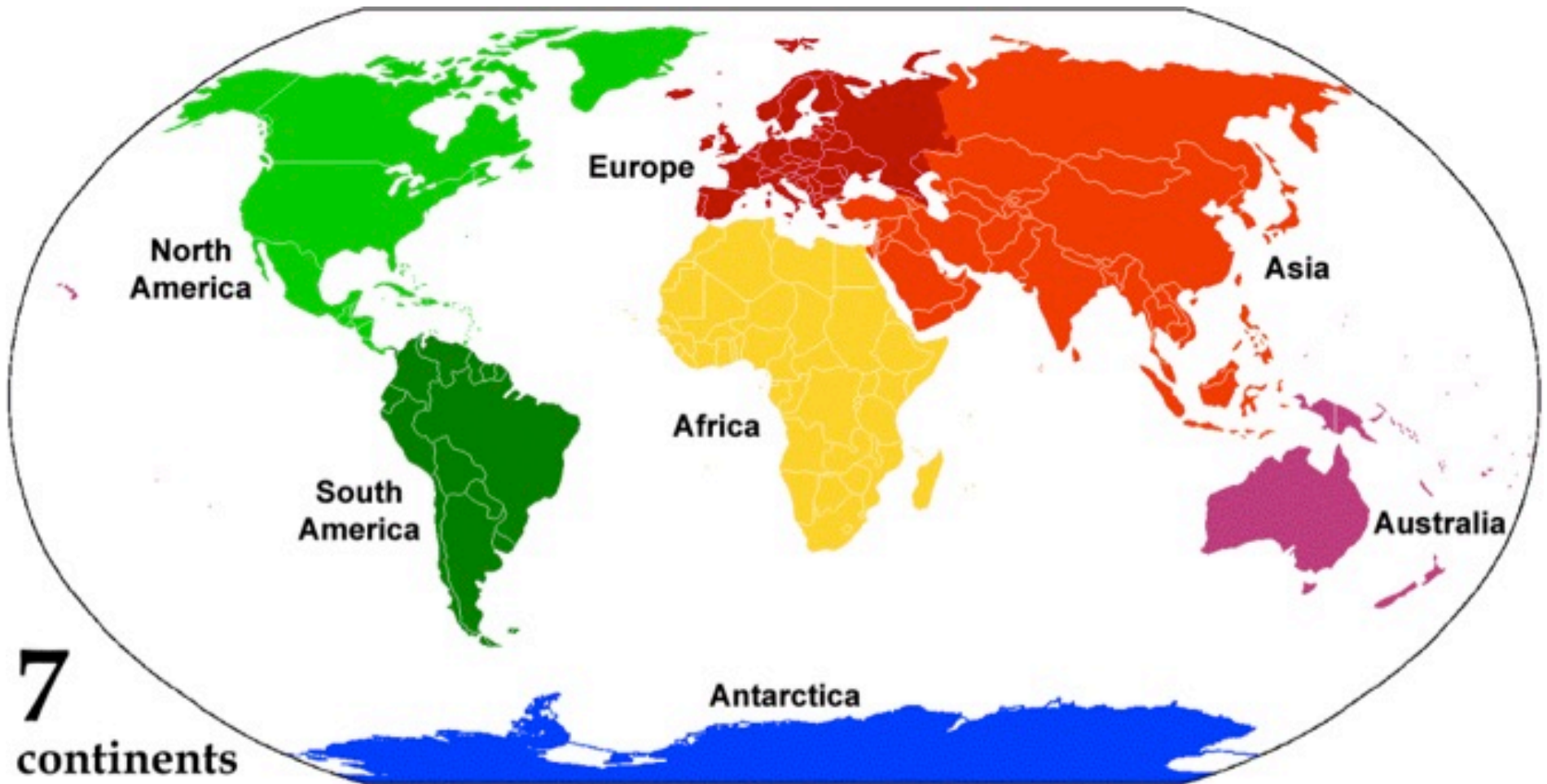
People live all over the world in different kinds of settlements and dwellings. Different cultures have adapted the way they live in order to survive and be comfortable. Some dwellings are used to contain people or things. With all the different types of places and homes, people have created many words to describe them.

Let's take a look at some of the words that describe places people live and types of dwellings people live in.



continent

(con·ti·nent)





country
(coun·try)

city (city)



town (town)



village

(vil·lage)



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camp (camp)



tent

(tent)



shelter

(shel·ter)





structure

(struc·ture)

house

(house)



cabin

(cab·in)



hut

(hut)



apartment

(apart·ment)



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cottage

(cot·tage)



home (home)



estate

(es·tate)



fort (fort)



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tower
(tow·er)

Types of Dwellings



cage

(cage)





jail
(jail)



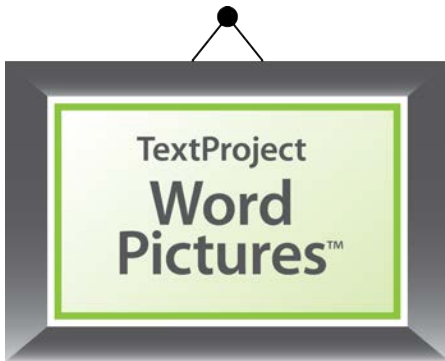
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prison
(pris·on)

cell

(cell)





Places and Dwellings—

Places People Go



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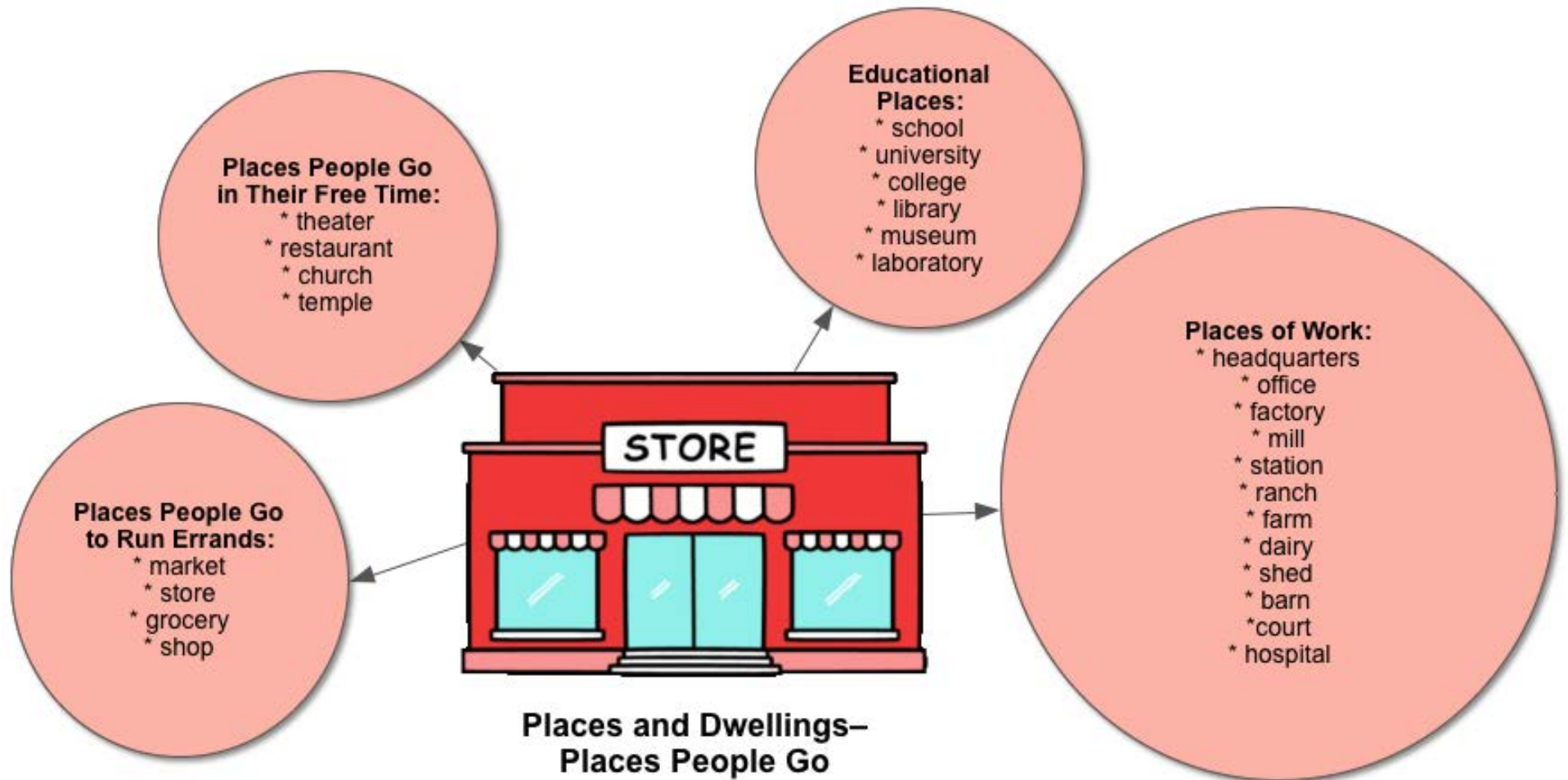
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Places People Go

In the United States, many people are always on the go. Some places are fun to go to. Some places are not so fun to go to. People may have more fun going to the movies than running errands, like buying groceries at the market. People go places everyday and because of this there are many words that describe the different locations.

Let's take a look at some of the words that describe the places people go.



market

(mar·ket)



store

(store)



grocery

(gro·cery)



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shop

(shop)



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restaurant

(res·tau·rant)



theater

(the·ater)



church

(church)



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temple
(tem·ple)

headquarters

(head·quar·ters)



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office (of·fice)



court

(court)





hospital
(hos·pi·tal)

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station (sta·tion)



factory

(fac·to·ry)



mill (mill)



barn

(barn)



shed

(shed)



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ranch

(ranch)



farm (farm)



dairy

(dairy)



school (school)



university
(uni·ver·si·ty)



college
(col·lege)

library

(li·brary)



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museum

(mu·se·um)

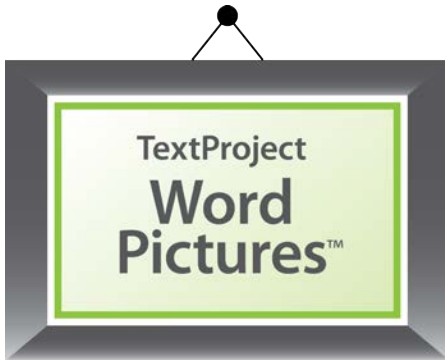


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laboratory

(lab·o·ra·to·ry)





Places and Dwellings—

Places in and Around a Dwelling



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Places in and Around a Dwelling

Every home and building has different rooms and surfaces inside and outside of it. Not all dwellings are the same. Often, a personal home will have different rooms than a public place, but many of the surfaces (like walls, ceilings, and floors) are the same.

Let's take a look at some of the words that describe places in and around a dwelling.

Types of Rooms in a Dwelling:

- * kitchen
- * garage
- * porch
- * closet
- * room
- * cellar
- * chamber
- * attic
- * hall



**Places and Dwellings—
Places in and Around a Dwelling**

Types of Surfaces in a Dwelling:

- * wall
- * ceiling
- * roof
- * floor
- * stairs
- * carpet

Entries into a Dwelling:

- * window
- * screen
- * gate
- * fence

kitchen

(kitch·en)



garage

(ga·rage)



porch

(porch)



closet

(clos·et)



room (room)



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cellar

(cel·lar)



chamber

(cham·ber)



attic (at·tic)



hall

(hall)



wall

(wall)



ceiling

(ceil·ing)



floor

(floor)



roof
(roof)





stairs

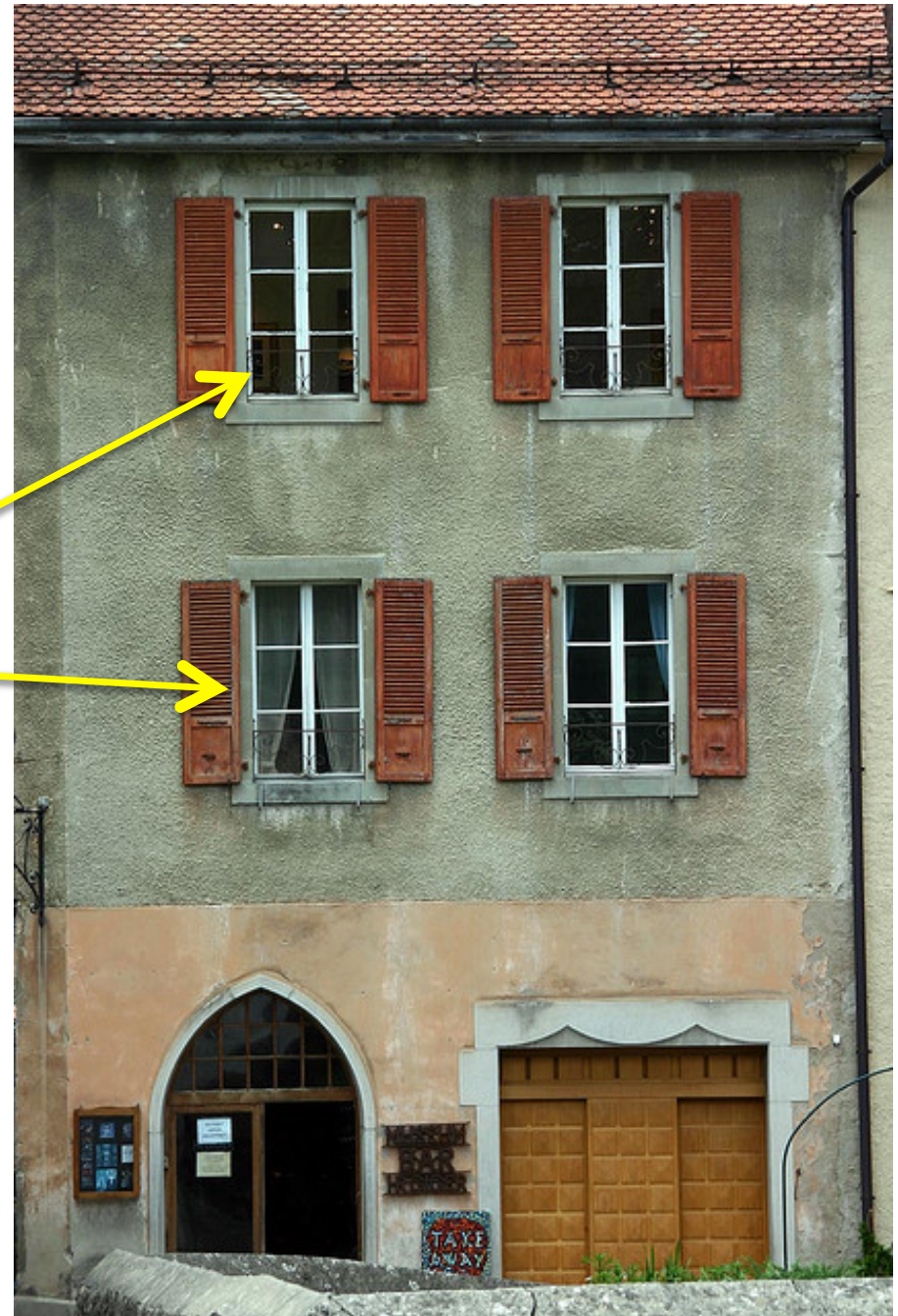
(stairs)

carpet

(car·pet)



window
(win·dow)

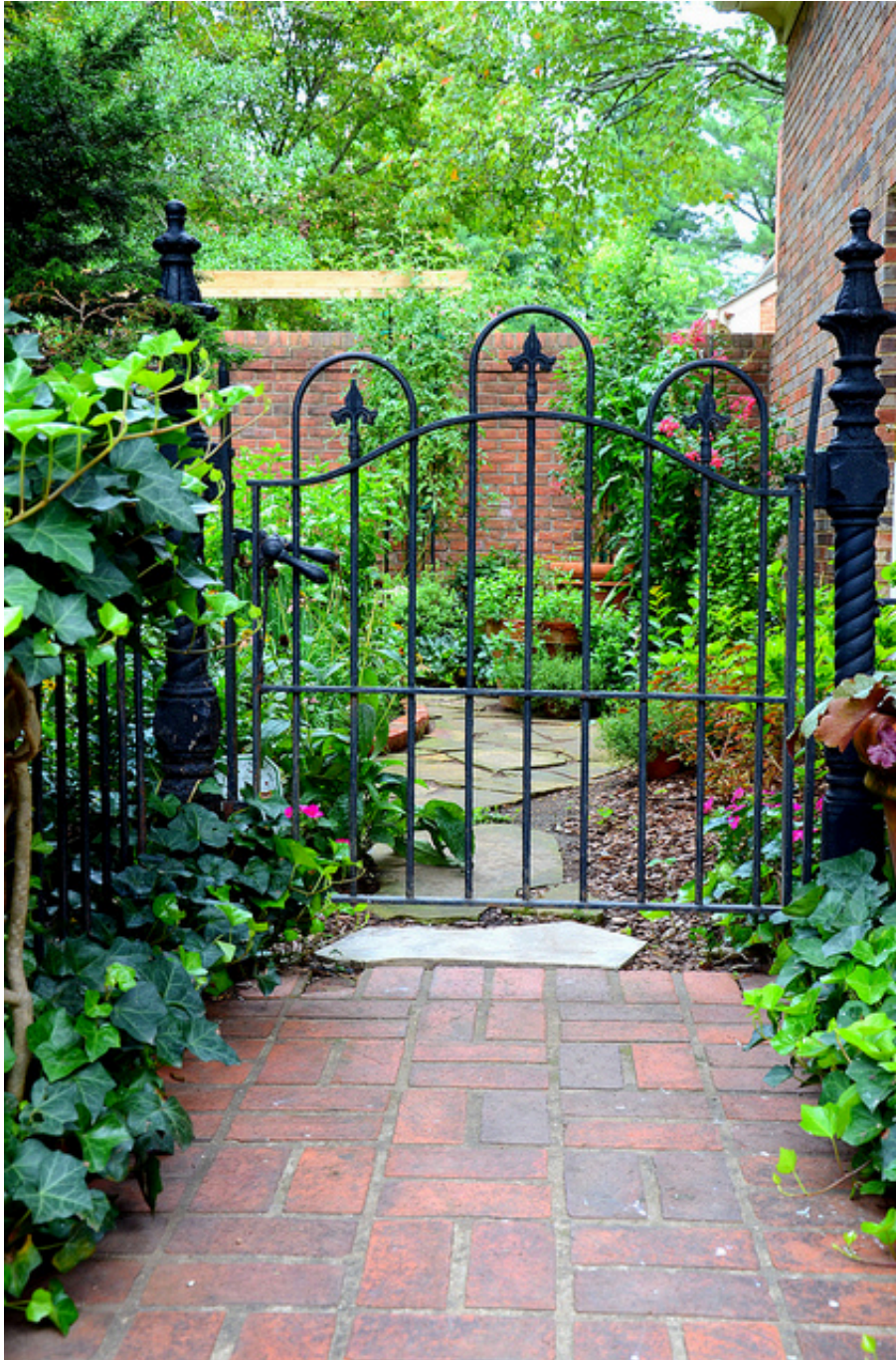


screen (screen)



This screen door uses a mesh screen to let fresh air into the house and keep pets from getting outside.

gate
(gate)

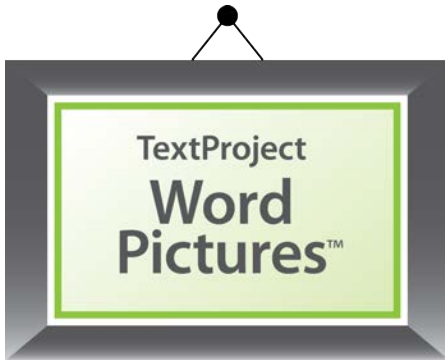


Entries into a Dwelling

fence

(fence)





Places and Dwellings—

Items Found in Dwellings



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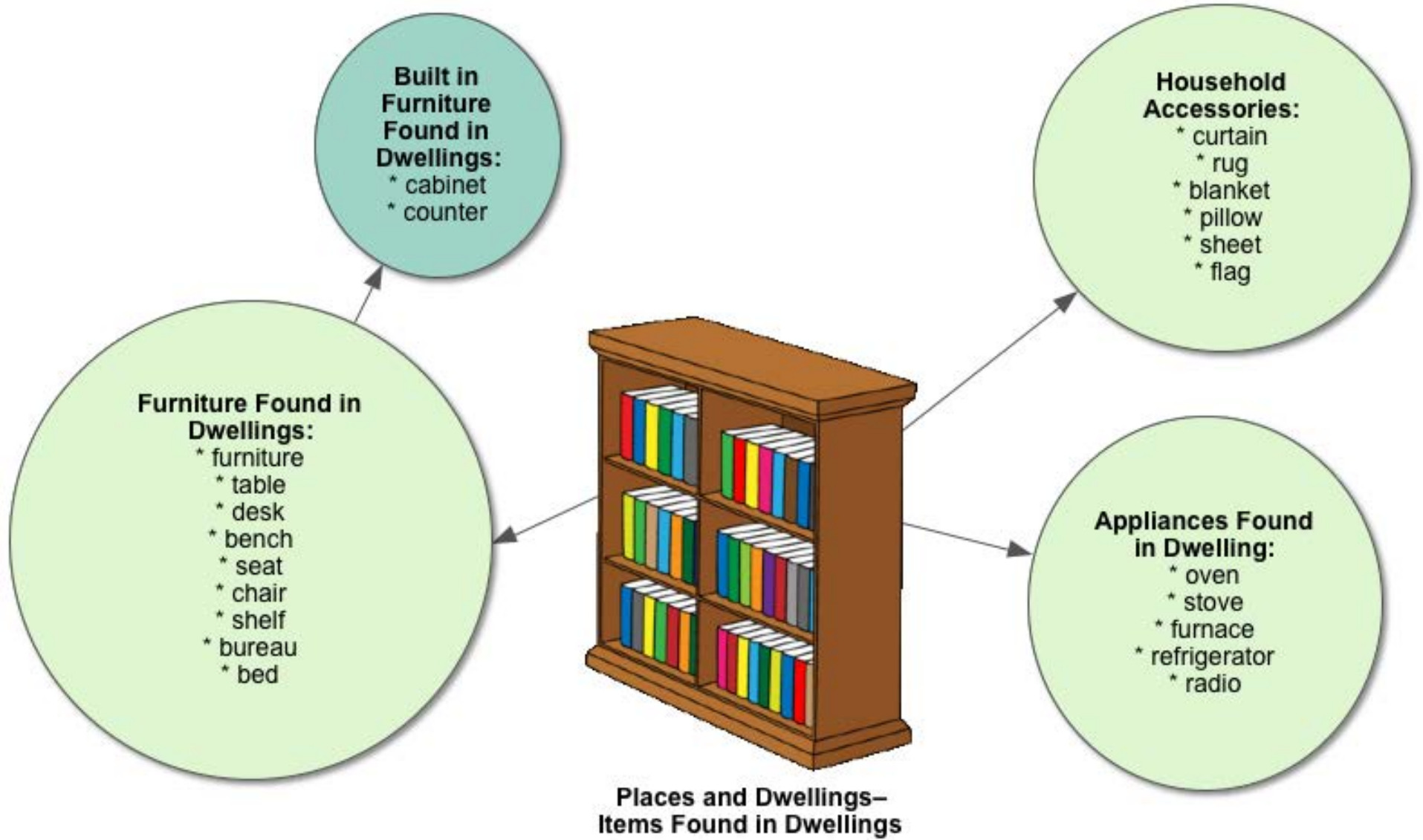
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Items Found in Dwellings

Inside the dwellings people visit are furniture, appliances, various surfaces, and other odds and ends. Different types of places have different things in and around them. A home will have different things than a public place.

Let's take a look at some of the words that describe items found in dwellings.



furniture (fur·ni·ture)



table

(ta·ble)



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desk

(desk)



seat
(seat)



Furniture Found in Dwellings

chair
(chair)

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bench

(bench)



shelf

(shelf)





bureau
(bu•reau)

bed

(bed)



cabinet
(cab·i·net)

counter
(count·er)



curtain

(cur·tain)



pillow

(pil·low)



sheet

(sheet)



blanket

(blan·ket)



rug

(rug)



flag

(flag)



oven

(ov·en)



refrigerator

(re·frig·er·a·tor)



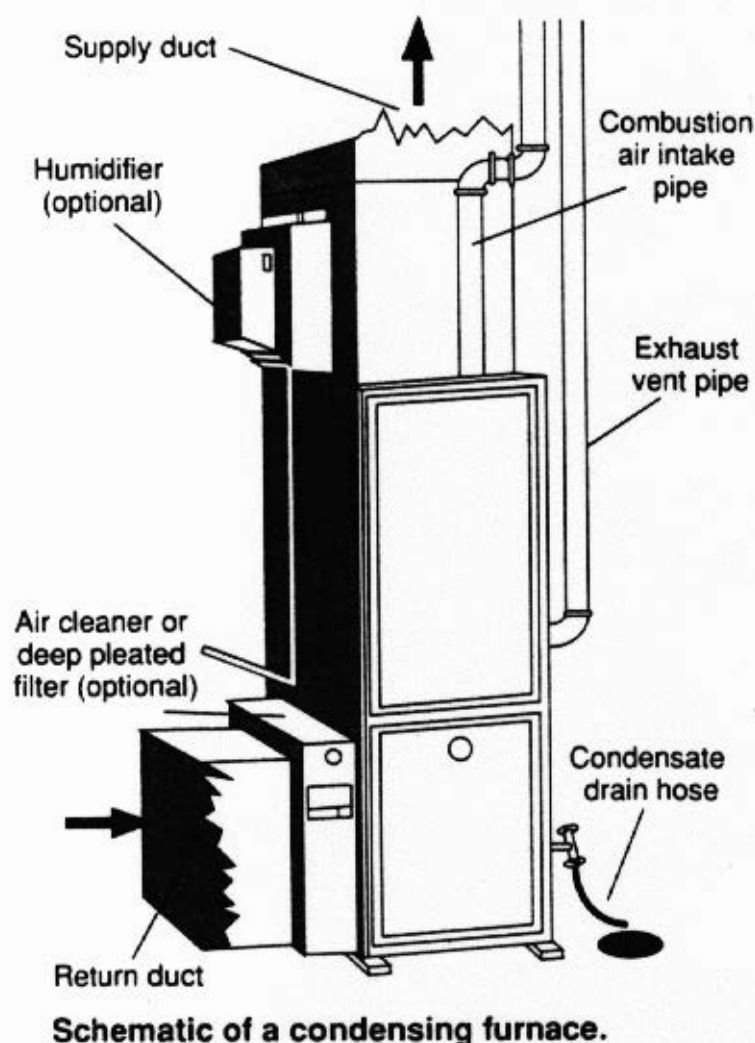
stove

(stove)



furnace

(fur·nace)

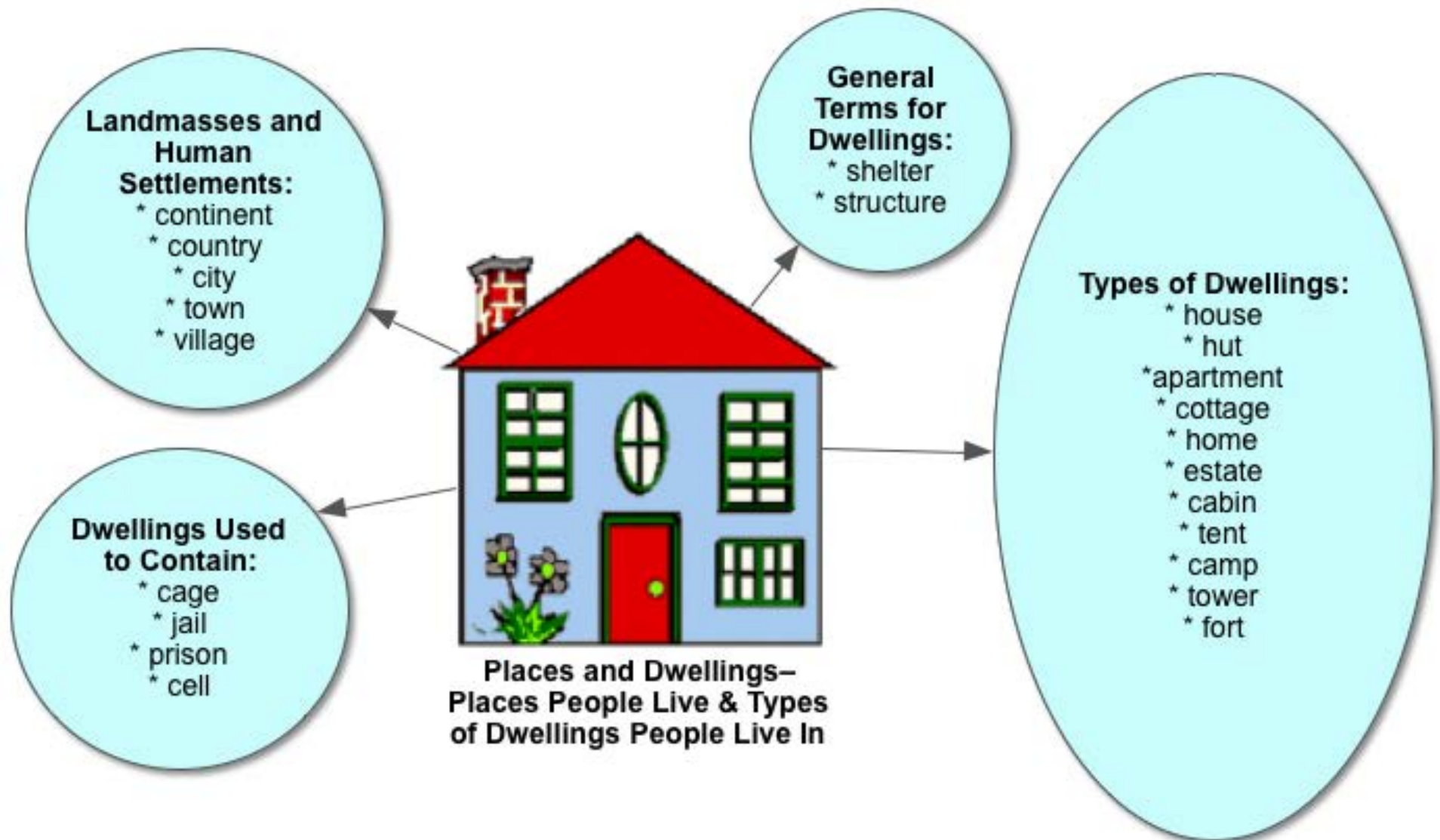


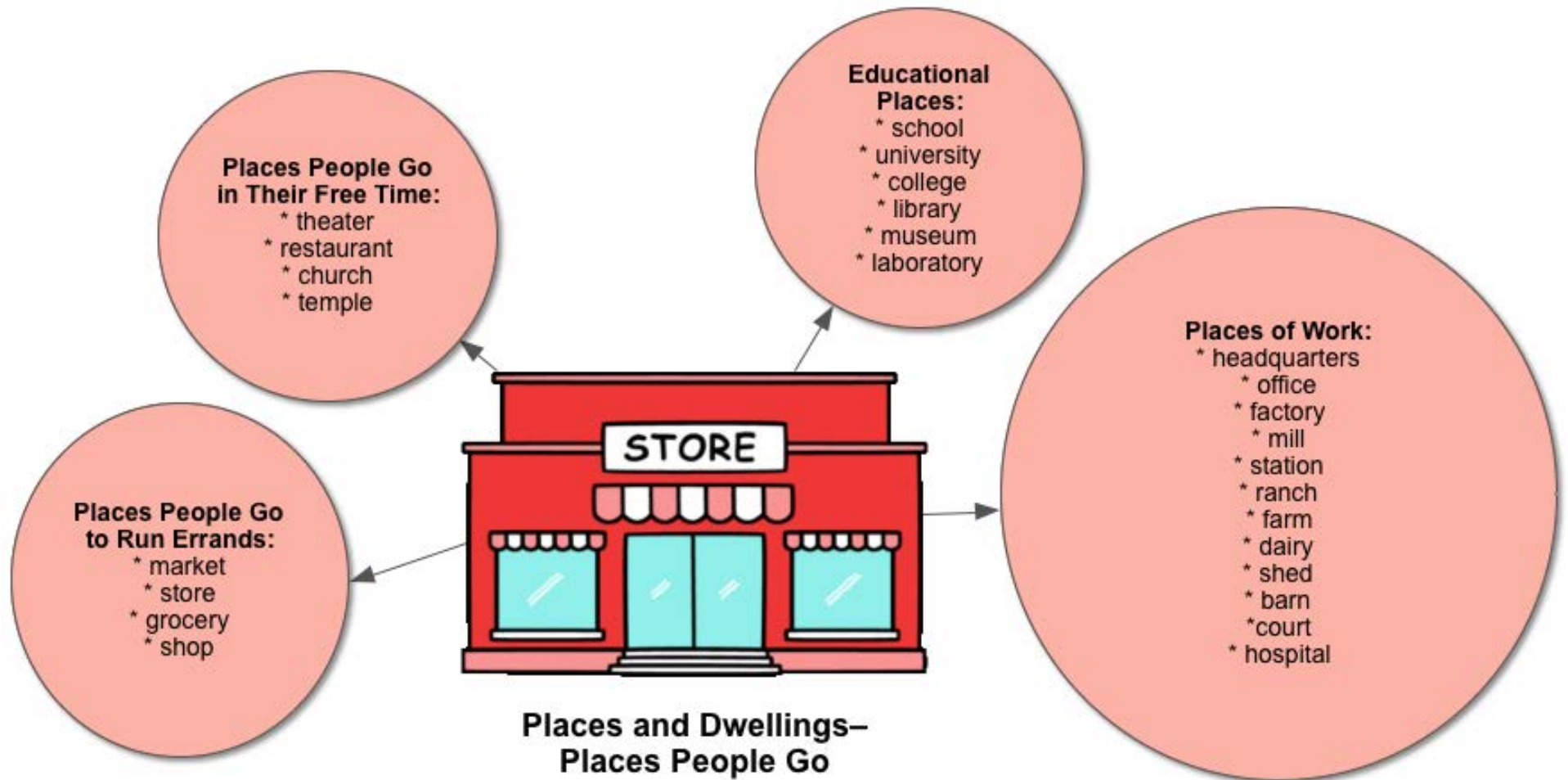
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