

4. Read the story and decide which answer (A,B,C or D) best fits each gap. Tick the right word in the chart.

Mr and Mrs Black both hated ____1____. They had a terrible ____2____ in their house. When they went to bed, they always left their clothes on the ____3____. They never put them in the ____4____ until there was nothing else to wear. The living room always looked as though a ____5____ had just gone off. There were things everywhere. There was thick dust on every piece of ____6____ and the carpet had not been ____7____ for weeks.

It was the same with their ____8____. Even though they had a ____9____, they always left the dirty dishes in the sink and only did the dishes when there wasn't a clean ____10____ in the house. And the bathroom!

One day, when Mr Black couldn't find one of his shoes, and Mrs Black couldn't see her face in the bathroom ____11____, they decided it was time to get the house ____12____. So they found Maria, a foreign student at a local language school, who needed ____13____ extra money.

Maria came to the house and worked all day long. She ____14____ and dried all the clothes. Then she ____15____ them, folded them and put them away. She ____16____ all the dust off the floors with a large broom and then she mopped them. She took a wet ____17____ and wiped the dust off every surface in the house and then ____18____ the furniture until it was shining. Finally, she got out the vacuum cleaner and vacuumed all the ____19____.

When the Blacks came home that evening, there was nothing ____20____ the floor, no dust on the furniture. In their ____21____ all their clothes were clean and put away in closets. "So, what do you think?" Mrs Black asked her husband. "It looks nice and neat," he said, "but how are we ever going to find anything?"
(adapted from American Word Builder)

	A	B	C	D
1.	homework	housework	house	home
2.	tidy	untidy	mess	messy
3.	garden	bathroom	ceiling	floor
4.	dishwasher	washing machine	wardrobe	drawer
5.	bomb	alarm clock	cattle	radio
6.	desk	table	chair	furniture
7.	vacuumed	cleared	washed	polished
8.	sitting room	kitchen	drawing room	living room
9.	restroom	washroom	dishwasher	mixer
10.	plate	pen	pencil	window
11.	toothbrush	basin	mirror	tube
12.	cleaned	cleared	moved	sold
13.	any	something	anything	some
14.	prepared	washed	patched	painted
15.	tried on	put on	ironed	took off
16.	swept	put	removed	took
17.	blanket	cloth	cover	bedspread
18.	polished	dusted	covered	moved
19.	windows	desks	carpets	cupboards
20.	at	near	in	on
21.	washroom	bedroom	sitting room	kitchen