The Stuff Of Dreams

EAE Learning objectives for this lesson

Practice using the correct prepositions with words. Learn new vocabulary + comprehension activities.

Activity One - watch the advert - Ikea Beds. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zS7ltS2VdPo

- Do you think it's effective?
- What message does it convey?

At home - read more about the campaign AFTER YOUR LESSON.
http://www.retail-week.com/sectors/home-and-diy/campaign-of-the-week-ikeas-ad-is-such-stuff-as-dreams-are-made-on/5062327.article

Activity Two - Read the Shakespeare quotation which the expression 'the stuff of dreams' derives from.

"We are such stuff
As dreams are made on; and our little life
Is rounded with a sleep."

The Tempest Act 4, scene 1, 148–158

- What do you think this means?

Activity Three - Match the words and expressions with their definitions.

A. Stuff	1/expression meaning the ideas we dream about or aspire to
B. Stuffing	2/Ideas occurring when we are asleep - or aspirations.
C. Dreams	3/Shaped in the form of circle or sphere
D. Rounded	4/The material that something is made from.
E. Rounded off	5/Encircled by
F. Surrounded by	6/Completed by
G. The stuff of dreams	7/The material that something is filled with.



Activity Four - Answer the questions

1. What are ikea mattresses stuffed **with**?
2. What are your dreams made **of**?
3. What rounds **off** your days nicely?
4. What is your bed surrounded **by** ?
5. What stuff is ikea bedding made **from**?
6. What is a stuffed toy made **with**?
7. Did you sleep **with** a stuffed toy when you were a kid?
8. Does Ikea offer a range of stuffed toys **to** its customers?

Activity Five - Bedroom Inspiration. Read the text and fill the gaps with the correct prepositions.

Most people are too busy to really think ..... the layout of their bedrooms. However when people find it hard to sleep they start to care more ..... the details of their sleeping arrangements. When they look ..... their bedrooms they become aware ..... he fact that they are cluttered ..... things that have nothing to do with sleep. Lot's of people have books, computers, storage boxes and junk piled ..... in their bedrooms. In a stressful society where people work hard and don't have a lot of time to relax, it's important to have a peaceful haven to sleep in.

Thanks to the range of low price bedroom furnishings and accessories offered by Ikea, everyone can have a bedroom that is adapted .....their lifestyle. If you are not convinced ..... just look ..... their catalogue and you will see bedrooms that you could only dream ..... at affordable prices. You are bound to find something that corresponds ..... the layout of your room and ..... your taste.

You can even choose what you want your mattress to be made ..... and you can cover your bed ..... material of any colour, design and texture with out spending too much money ..... anything.

So next time you are in bed, start dreaming about a new uncluttered, stylish bedroom with a comfortable mattress and matching textiles and accessories.

To be aware of	**To care about**	**To look at**
To be adapted to	**To cover with**	**To be made from**
To be cluttered with	**To dream of**	**To pile up**
To be convinced about	**To dream about**	**To spend on**
To correspond with	**To be disappointed with**	**To think about**

Activity Five: Listen to the **story** about recycling mattresses from the National Public Radio website - NPR.

http://www.npr.org/2012/01/18/144633725/new-recycling-company-springs-from-old-mattresses

At the same time as you listen follow the text transcript.
http://www.npr.org/templates/transcript/transcript.php?storyId=144633725

Now answer the questions below:

1. What was left in the backyard and what was living in it?
2. Why was it hard to get rid of?
3. Why is it so hard to recycle mattresses?
4. Who is Bobby Bandy?
5. Where was Ron Harness living a few months ago?
6. What is he working on?
7. How did the business get started?
8. What point is the business getting to now?
9. Does Ikea offer Mattress recycling?
10. Do you think it should?

Activity Six: Describe.

Describe each of the beds below.
Say what materials they are made of and what the advantages of that particular model are. Use the expressions below.









EXPRESSIONS

- If you are looking for something small…
- If you are looking for extra storage..
- This model is particularly…
- I would recommend this model if…
- Our range includes…
- You can find…. to match this
- It's a good idea to…
- You can choose the…



learning objectives

How far have you got?

Fill in the bars to show your progress

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