

Reading

1. Read the description. Is your home similar or different?

One of my favorite parts of my trip to Indonesia was my visit to the village home of a Balinese friend. In villages on the island of Bali, people do not live in houses or apartments. They live in compounds. It is impossible to see inside the compounds because there are walls around them. In most compounds there are several buildings. None of these buildings is higher than 15 meters because no building in a compound can be higher than a coconut tree. (There are many coconut trees on the island of Bali, and they are rarely higher than 15 meters.) There are roofs on all the buildings in the compound, but most of them have only one or two walls. It is warm all year long in Bali, so people can stay cool in the open buildings.

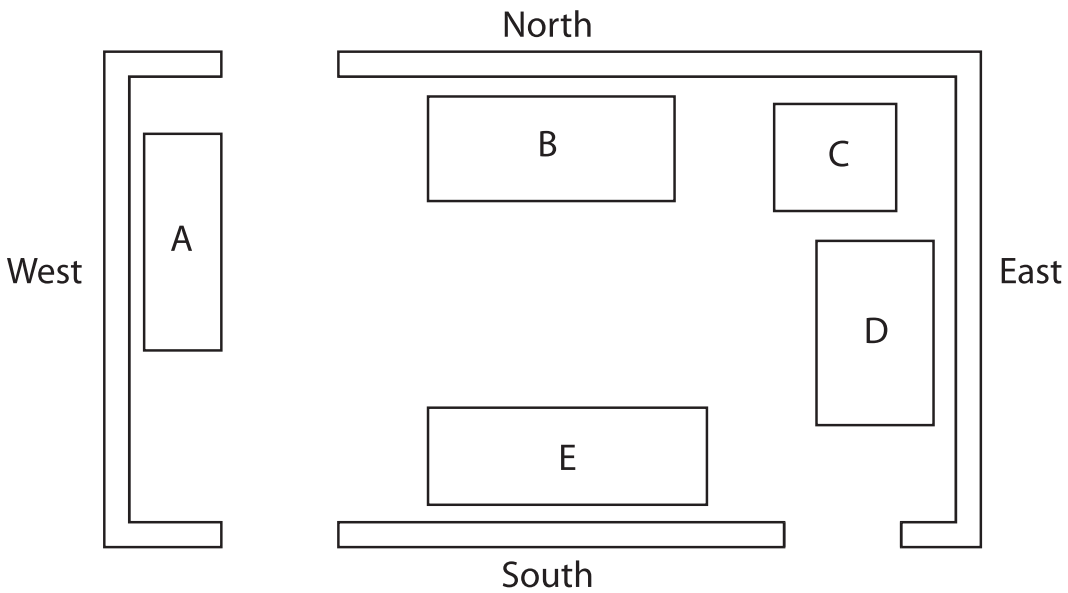
Every building inside the compound has a specific location and purpose. In my friend's compound, the *bale dangin* is on the eastern wall of the compound. The family uses this building for religious holidays and important ceremonies. The family temple or *sanggah*, the place for prayer, is in the northeastern corner of the compound. The building on the western wall of the compound, the *bale dauh*, is often for social activities with guests; the children in the family also sleep here. The parents, grandparents, and unmarried girls live and sleep in the building along the northern wall, the *bale daja*. The kitchen is in the southern part of the compound. It is near the storage area for rice.

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2. Look at the diagram of the family compound. Then answer the questions. Write *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, or *E*.



1. Where do grandparents live? B
2. Where does the family prepare meals? _____
3. Where does the family pray? _____
4. Where do the parents sleep? _____
5. Where do the children sleep? _____
6. Where do unmarried girls sleep? _____
7. Where does the family have weddings? _____

