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Childhood home of Jesus Christ found in Nazareth

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

Archaeologists working in the city of Nazareth have unearthed what they believe to be the childhood home of Jesus Christ. Following an arduous, 14-year excavation of the site at the Sisters of Nazareth Convent, researchers say they believe the first-century home is where Jesus grew up as a child. Lead researcher Professor Ken Dark embarked on 14 years of research and fieldwork at the ancient site. He says his studies of the well-preserved abode on a limestone hillside revealed "excellent craftsmanship" and a "structural understanding of rock". He says this is, "consistent with it having been constructed by a tekton" - the occupation of Jesus' father, Joseph.

Professor Dark says the dwelling was originally found in the 1880s and was first excavated in the 1930s. For decades, experts and nuns living in the convent have asserted that the site was Jesus' boyhood home. Dark started on his dig in 2006 to investigate these assertions. He said the site had been "almost forgotten by scholars". He used cutting edge archaeological techniques to uncover more secrets of the house. Dark discovered that people believed that the building was Jesus' house from at least the 380s. However, he says his claims are not conclusive and acknowledges that we may never know for sure whether or not Jesus Christ lived at that location.

Sources: <https://www.arabnews.com/node/1767246/middle-east>
<https://www.ancient-origins.net/news-history-archaeology/home-jesus-christ-0014580>
<https://www.foxnews.com/science/has-jesus-childhood-home-been-discovered-in-nazareth>

WARM-UPS

1. JESUS CHRIST: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Jesus Christ. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

archaeologists / city / Jesus / excavation / first century / ancient / abode / occupation
decades / expert / childhood / 2006 / scholars / techniques / building / sure / location

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. ARCHAEOLOGY: Students A **strongly** believe archaeology is very important; Students B **strongly** believe it isn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. CHILDHOOD: What was good and bad about your childhood? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Good	Bad
Home		
School		
Money		
Friends		
Holidays		
Weekends		

5. RESEARCH: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "research". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. ANCIENT SITES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Stonehenge
- The Pyramids
- Machu Picchu
- Pompeii
- Angkor Wat
- Petra
- Luxor Temple
- Easter Island Moai

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| 1. archaeologist | a. Involving or requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring. |
| 2. unearthed | b. A place of residence; a house or home. |
| 3. arduous | c. A person who studies human history and prehistory through the digging of sites and the analysis of things found there. |
| 4. excavation | d. Found something in the ground by digging. |
| 5. ancient | e. The action of digging something, especially an archaeological site or construction site. |
| 6. abode | f. Very, very, very old. |
| 7. consistent | g. Acting or done in the same way over time, especially so as to be fair or accurate. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 8. expert | h. At the latest or most advanced stage of development; innovative or pioneering. |
| 9. convent | i. A person who has a comprehensive and authoritative knowledge of or skill in a particular area. |
| 10. asserted | j. Someone who studies a particular branch of study, especially the humanities; a distinguished professor. |
| 11. scholar | k. Of evidence or argument serving to prove a case; decisive or convincing. |
| 12. cutting edge | l. A school for girls run by nuns. |
| 13. conclusive | m. Accept or admit the existence or truth of. |
| 14. acknowledge | n. Stated a fact or belief confidently and forcefully. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Archaeologists say they have found the home where Jesus was born. **T / F**
- b. Archaeologists worked on the site for 14 years. **T / F**
- c. The home is on a flat piece of limestone farmland. **T / F**
- d. The home wasn't very well made. **T / F**
- e. The home was first discovered in the year 880. **T / F**
- f. A professor said scholars had almost forgotten about the home. **T / F**
- g. A professor used cutting edge techniques to find secrets about the home. **T / F**
- h. The professor is certain the home is where Jesus Christ grew up. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. unearthed | a. residence |
| 2. arduous | b. inquiries |
| 3. embarked | c. methods |
| 4. research | d. laborious |
| 5. consistent | e. dug up |
| 6. dwelling | f. undeniable |
| 7. excavated | g. discovered |
| 8. techniques | h. assertions |
| 9. claims | i. in tune with |
| 10. conclusive | j. started |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| 1. Archaeologists | a. scholars |
| 2. Following an arduous, | b. at the ancient site |
| 3. embarked | c. conclusive |
| 4. fieldwork | d. working in the city |
| 5. excellent | e. found in the 1880s |
| 6. the dwelling was originally | f. of the house |
| 7. almost forgotten by | g. 14-year excavation |
| 8. He used cutting edge archaeological | h. craftsmanship |
| 9. uncover more secrets | i. techniques |
| 10. his claims are not | j. on 14 years of research |

GAP FILL

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Archaeologists working in the city of Nazareth have (1) _____ what they believe to be the childhood home of Jesus Christ. Following an (2) _____, 14-year excavation of the site at the Sisters of Nazareth Convent, researchers say they believe the first-(3) _____ home is where Jesus grew up as a child. Lead researcher Professor Ken Dark embarked on 14 years of research and fieldwork at the (4) _____ site. He says his studies of the well-preserved abode on a limestone (5) _____ revealed "excellent craftsmanship" and a "(6) _____ understanding of rock". He says this is, "(7) _____ with it having been constructed by a tekton" - the (8) _____ of Jesus' father, Joseph.

arduous
hillside
consistent
ancient
occupation
unearthed
century
structural

Professor Dark says the (9) _____ was originally found in the 1880s and was first excavated in the 1930s. For decades, experts and nuns living in the convent have (10) _____ that the site was Jesus' boyhood home. Dark started on his dig in 2006 to (11) _____ these assertions. He said the site had been "almost forgotten by (12) _____". He used cutting edge archaeological techniques to uncover more (13) _____ of the house. Dark discovered that people believed that the building was Jesus' house from at (14) _____ the 380s. However, he says his claims are not (15) _____ and acknowledges that we may never know for sure (16) _____ or not Jesus Christ lived at that location.

secrets
whether
dwelling
asserted
conclusive
scholars
least
investigate

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) home of Jesus Christ. Following an arduous, _____
 - a. 14-year evacuation
 - b. 14-year expectation
 - c. 14-year excavation
 - d. 14-year ex vacation
- 2) Professor Ken Dark embarked on 14 years of research and fieldwork at _____
 - a. the ancient sight
 - b. the ancient site
 - c. the ancient light
 - d. the ancient sty
- 3) He says his studies of the well-preserved abode on _____
 - a. a lemon stone hillside...
 - b. a limestone hillside...
 - c. a limes tone hillside...
 - d. ally stone hillside...
- 4) revealed "excellent craftsmanship" and a "structural _____"
 - a. understanding off rock
 - b. understanding of rock
 - c. understanding of lock
 - d. understanding of frock
- 5) with it having been constructed by a tekton" - the _____ father
 - a. occupational of Jesus'
 - b. occupations of Jesus'
 - c. occupation of Jesus'
 - d. operation of Jesus'
- 6) For decades, experts and nuns living in the convent _____
 - a. have asserted that
 - b. have assertion that
 - c. have assert it that
 - d. have assert this and that
- 7) He used cutting edge archaeological techniques to _____
 - a. uncover more secrets
 - b. uncovers more secrets
 - c. uncovered more secrets
 - d. covet more secrets
- 8) people believed that the building was Jesus' house from at _____
 - a. lest the 380s
 - b. lost the 380s
 - c. least the 380s
 - d. last the 380s
- 9) However, he says his claims _____
 - a. are not inclusive
 - b. are not conclusive
 - c. are not conducive
 - d. are not reclusive
- 10) we may never know for sure whether or not Jesus Christ lived _____
 - a. at that's location
 - b. at that low caution
 - c. at that locale
 - d. at that location

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

1. For how long have archaeologists been working on the site?
2. What kind of establishment is the dig taking place at?
3. Who is Ken Dark?
4. What kind of hillside was the home found on?
5. What does the article say was the job of Jesus' father?
6. When was the home originally found?
7. Who asserted the home was where Jesus grew up?
8. Who does the article say almost forgot about the home?
9. What did a professor want to uncover about the home?
10. From when did people start believing Jesus lived at the home?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

- 1) For how long have archaeologists been working on the site?
 - a) 44 years
 - b) 40 years
 - c) 14 years
 - d) four decades
- 2) What kind of establishment is the dig taking place at?
 - a) a convent
 - b) a shopping mall
 - c) a church
 - d) a university
- 3) Who is Ken Dark?
 - a) a priest
 - b) a lead researcher
 - c) an expert on adobe homes
 - d) a churchgoer
- 4) What kind of hillside was the home found on?
 - a) a volcanic hillside
 - b) a steep hillside
 - c) a gently sloping hillside
 - d) a limestone hillside
- 5) What does the article say was the job of Jesus' father?
 - a) a farmer
 - b) a tutor
 - c) a tekton
 - d) a teacher
- 6) When was the home originally found?
 - a) in the 1890s
 - b) in the 1880s
 - c) in the 1860s
 - d) in the 1870s
- 7) Who asserted the home was where Jesus grew up?
 - a) professors and archaeologists
 - b) priests and scholars
 - c) local people
 - d) experts and nuns
- 8) Who does the article say almost forgot about the home?
 - a) Jesus
 - b) scholars
 - c) the landlord
 - d) local people
- 9) What did a professor want to uncover about the home?
 - a) money
 - b) secrets
 - c) artefacts
 - d) the history
- 10) From when did people start believing Jesus lived at the home?
 - a) the 380s
 - b) the 480s
 - c) the 580s
 - d) the 280s

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Stonehenge

You think Stonehenge is the best ancient site. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sites. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Pyramids, Petra or Easter Island Moai.

Role B – The Pyramids

You think the Pyramids is the best ancient site. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sites. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): Stonehenge, Petra or Easter Island Moai.

Role C – Petra

You think Petra is the best ancient site. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sites. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Pyramids, Stonehenge or Easter Island Moai.

Role D – Easter Island Moai

You think the Easter Island Moai is the best ancient site. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their sites. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): the Pyramids, Petra or Stonehenge.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'Jesus' and 'home'.

Jesus	home
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• city• arduous• century• limestone• rock• father	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• originally• living• 2006• edge• least• location
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JESUS CHRIST SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Jesus Christ in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the name 'Jesus'?
3. What do you know about Jesus?
4. What do you want to know about Jesus?
5. What would it be like to be an archaeologist?
6. Where in the world would you like to go on a dig?
7. Is it important we know where Jesus grew up?
8. How important is archaeology?
9. What craftsmanship is valued in your country?
10. What do you think of your childhood home?

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DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'home'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about Nazareth?
15. What was life like in the times of Jesus?
16. Would you like to visit the house the archaeologists found?
17. What three adjectives best describe this story?
18. What are the most important ancient sites in your country?
19. What would you like to be an expert in?
20. What questions would you like to ask archaeologists?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) unearthed | (b) earthly | (c) earths | (d) earthed |
| 2. | (a) ardent | (b) ardours | (c) arduous | (d) odours |
| 3. | (a) was | (b) is | (c) as | (d) has |
| 4. | (a) upshot | (b) resurgent | (c) sure | (d) ancient |
| 5. | (a) abide | (b) adobe | (c) abode | (d) adept |
| 6. | (a) at | (b) with | (c) as | (d) to |
| 7. | (a) real | (b) originally | (c) firstly | (d) thus |
| 8. | (a) expats | (b) experts | (c) extant | (d) excerpts |
| 9. | (a) exceptions | (b) relations | (c) assertions | (d) dominions |
| 10. | (a) side | (b) border | (c) rim | (d) edge |
| 11. | (a) lost | (b) lest | (c) last | (d) least |
| 12. | (a) surly | (b) sureness | (c) surely | (d) sure |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. drhaeuetrn what they believe to be
2. an ouurads, 14-year excavation
3. fieldwork at the cnntiea site
4. a rustclruta understanding of rock
5. soneittncs with it having been constructed
6. the pacootucni of Jesus' father

Paragraph 2

7. the lwgdlien was originally found
8. first vctaaedxe in the 1930s
9. aetssder that the site was Jesus' boyhood home
10. almost forgotten by rcoshals
11. archaeological encqhtisue
12. his claims are not oscvilunce

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () home of Jesus Christ. Following an arduous, 14-year excavation of the site at the Sisters
- () the 1930s. For decades, experts and nuns living in the convent have asserted that the site was Jesus'
- () forgotten by scholars". He used cutting edge archaeological techniques to uncover more
- () secrets of the house. Dark discovered that people believed that the building
- (**1**) Archaeologists working in the city of Nazareth have unearthed what they believe to be the childhood
- () of Nazareth Convent, researchers say they believe the first-century home is where Jesus grew up
- () Professor Dark says the dwelling was originally found in the 1880s and was first excavated in
- () site. He says his studies of the well-preserved abode on a limestone hillside revealed "excellent
- () was Jesus' house from at least the 380s. However, he says his claims are not conclusive and
- () boyhood home. Dark started on his dig in 2006 to investigate these assertions. He said the site had been "almost
- () craftsmanship" and a "structural understanding of rock". He says this is, "consistent
- () as a child. Lead researcher Professor Ken Dark embarked on 14 years of research and fieldwork at the ancient
- () acknowledges that we may never know for sure whether or not Jesus Christ lived at that location.
- () with it having been constructed by a tekton" - the occupation of Jesus' father, Joseph.

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

1. what they home . Unearthed the to believe be
2. is up . where home first-century The Jesus grew
3. Research at ancient site . fieldwork the and
4. abode a hillside . limestone well-preserved on The
5. by having with constructed it craftsmen . Consistent been
6. 1880s . in was The dwelling the originally found
7. that home . was Jesus' boyhood site Asserted the
8. almost site had by forgotten The scholars . been
9. uncover more Cutting edge techniques archaeological secrets . to
10. we know He for never sure . may acknowledges

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

Archaeologists working in the city of Nazareth have *earthed* / *unearthed* what they believe to be the childhood *home* / *homed* of Jesus Christ. Following an *ardours* / *arduous*, 14-year excavation of the site at the Sisters of Nazareth Convent, researchers say they *belief* / *believe* the first-century home is where Jesus grew up *was* / *as* a child. Lead researcher Professor Ken Dark *embarked* / *earmarked* on 14 years of research and fieldwork at the *function* / *ancient* site. He says his studies of the well-preserved *adobe* / *abode* on a limestone hillside revealed "excellent craftsmanship" and a "*structural* / *granite* understanding of rock". He says this is, "consistent with it having been constructed by a tekton" - the *occupation* / *occupied* of Jesus' father, Joseph.

Professor Dark says the *dwelling* / *dwindling* was originally found in the 1880s and was first *evacuated* / *excavated* in the 1930s. For decades, experts and nuns living in the convent have *dissected* / *asserted* that the site was Jesus' boyhood home. Dark started on his *dug* / *dig* in 2006 to investigate these assertions. He said the site had been "almost forgotten by *pupils* / *scholars*". He used cutting *edge* / *rim* archaeological techniques to uncover more *secretions* / *secrets* of the house. Dark discovered that people believed that the building was Jesus' house from at least *the* / *all* 380s. However, he says his claims are not *reactive* / *conclusive* and acknowledges that we may never know for sure whether or not Jesus Christ lived at that *locale* / *location*.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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_rch__l_g_sts w_rk_ng _n th_ c_ty _f N_z_r_th h_v_
_n__rth_d wh_t th_y b_l__v_ t_ b_ th_ ch_ldh__d
h_m_ _f J_s_s Chr_st. F_ll_w_ng _n _rd___s, 14-y__r
_xc_v_t__n _f th_ s_t_ _t th_ S_st_rs _f N_z_r_th
C_nv_nt, r_s__rch_rs s_y th_y b_l__v_ th_ f_rst-c_nt_ry
h_m_ _s wh_r_ J_s_s gr_w _p _s _ ch_ld. L__d
r_s__rch_r Pr_f_ss_r K_n D_rk _mb_rk_d _n 14 y__rs
_f r_s__rch _nd f__ldw_rk _t th_ _nc__nt s_t_. H_
s_ys h_s st_d__s _f th_ w_ll-pr_s_rv_d _b_d_ _n _
l_m_st_n_ h_lls_d_ r_v__l_d "_xc_ll_nt cr_ftsm_nsh_p"
_nd _ "str_ct_r_l _nd_rst_nd_ng _f r_ck". H_ s_ys th_s
_s, "c_ns_st_nt w_th _t h_v_ng b__n c_nstr_ct_d by _
t_kt_n" - th_ _cc_p_t__n _f J_s_s' f_th_r, J_s_ph.

Pr_f_ss_r D_rk s_ys th_ dw_ll_ng w_s _r_g_n_lly f__nd
n th 1880s _nd w_s f_rst _xc_v_t_d _n th_ 1930s.
F_r d_c_d_s, _xp_rts _nd n_ns l_v_ng _n th_ c_nv_nt
h_v_ _ss_rt_d th_t th_ s_t_ w_s J_s_s' b_yh__d h_m_.
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201127-jesus-christ.html>

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. JESUS CHRIST: Make a poster about Jesus Christ. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. MONEY: Write a magazine article about governments spending more money on investigating the site that could be Jesus Christ's home. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Jesus Christ. Ask him/her three questions about him. Give him/her three of your opinions on his teachings. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. c 2. d 3. a 4. e 5. f 6. b 7. g
8. i 9. l 10. n 11. j 12. h 13. k 14. m

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c F d F e F f T g T h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. d	3. j	4. b	5. i
6. a	7. e	8. c	9. h	10. f

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Fourteen years
- A convent
- A professor and lead researcher
- A limestone hillside
- A "tekton"
- In the 1880s
- Experts and nuns
- Scholars
- Secrets
- The 380s

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

- Unearthed what they believe to be the home.
- The first-century home is where Jesus grew up.
- Research and fieldwork at the ancient site.
- The well-preserved abode on a limestone hillside.
- Consistent with it having been constructed by craftsmen.
- The dwelling was originally found in the 1880s.
- Asserted that the site was Jesus' boyhood home.
- The site had been almost forgotten by scholars.
- Cutting edge archaeological techniques to uncover more secrets.
- He acknowledges we may never know for sure.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. b 4. d 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. b 9. b 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)