Focus: Earthship text

Monday

Retrieve/Vocabulary

WALT: explain and discuss our understanding of what we have read

WALT: retrieve, record and present information

Tuesday



Explain/Infer

WALT: Predict what might happen from the details stated and implied.

WALT: summarise the main ideas from more than one paragraph.

- 1) How many tyres have to be thrown away every year?
- 2) ...**maintains** a comfortable living temperature... Give the meaning of the word maintains in this sentence.
- 3) Complete in the table to show how the Earthship provides the following. One has been done for you.

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	We need:	How the Earthship provides it:	
	light and electricity		
	heat during day		
	protection from cold at night	The walls release heat into the rooms.	
	water		
	disposal of waste		

- 4) Find 3 other materials the Earthship is made from.
- 5) From the diagram, explain what the word "radiates" means.

- 1) Why is it described as being "dirt" cheap to run- what 2 meanings does this have?
- 2) 'Earthship' is made up of two words: earth and ship. Why are these two words used for this new type of house? Earth:

Ship:

- 3) Why are they built into hillsides?
- 4) What is the purpose of the quote from...
- a) the customer?
- b) the builder?
- 5) Find 2 problems the Earthship solves with its design.



Wednesday

WALT: draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions

Summarise/Predict

WALT: explain and discuss our understanding of what we have read

- 1) How does the text prove that Earthships cost very little to run?
- 2) This leaflet gives information about the Earthship. How does it also advertise the Earthship? Find **two** points.
- 3) On the front of the leaflet two quotations are included from people who like the Earthship. Now use the information on the plan to write your own comment about the Earthship for use in the leaflet.
- 4) What do you think the advantages and disadvantages of living in an Earthship would be? Try and think of 2 of each.