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[A] people in most countries of the world today are not opposed to living in flats [B] English people, like most people in other countries, dislike living in flats [C] people in Britain are forced to move into high blocks of flats [D] modern flats still fail to provide the necessary facilities for living

12. What is said about the blocks of flats built in the past in Britain \_\_\_\_\_. [A] They were sold to people before necessary facilities were installed. [B] They were usually not large enough to accommodate big families. [C] They were mostly inhabited by people who did not earn much. [D] They provided playgrounds for children on the top of the buildings.

13. The word "rage"(Line 11)means "\_\_\_\_\_." [A] be ignored [B] be in fashion [C] encourage people greatly [D] develop with great force

14. Some people oppose the building of flats because \_\_\_\_\_. [A] the living expenses for each individual family are higher [B] they believe people like to live in houses with gardens [C] it involves higher cost compared with the building of houses [D] the disposal of rubbish remains a problem for those living in flats

15. The author mentions that people who live in suburban houses \_\_\_\_\_. [A] do not have access to easy facilities because they live away from the city [B] have to pay a lot of money to employ people to do service work [C] have to spend more money and time travelling to work every day [D] take longer time to know each other because they are a scattered community

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