

## Responses to exercises on 'Neighbours from Hell' article:

### Reading:

1. Why doesn't the writer like her next-door neighbours' dogs?  
**They wake her up.**
2. According to the report, most people argue with their neighbours about  
**Noise.**
3. What does the article say about Mediation UK?  
**It has its head office in Bristol.**
4. Some people decide not to buy a house because they don't like  
**Other property in the area.**
5. What do we find out about Mr. Gladden?  
**He doesn't care what his neighbours think.**
6. The writer decided not to buy the house because  
**She disliked noisy dogs.**
7. The writer's main aim in the article is to  
**Illustrate the types and causes of problems between neighbours.**

### Vocabulary:

#### 1.

The neighbours' dogs have **sharp** teeth and a **loud** bark.

Dogs are the fifth most common source of **bad** relations between neighbours.

**Wild** gardens can put off house buyers.

#### 2.

We could hear **loud** voices coming from the cellar.

There have been several **sharp** increases in the price of bread this year.

More and more species of **wild** animals are becoming extinct.

I must make an appointment to see the dentist – I think I may have a **bad** tooth.

Be careful – those are **sharp** scissors. You might cut yourself.

When I was a teenager I went to a lot of **wild** parties.

We've had such **bad** weather recently. Let's hope it gets better.

There was a **loud** explosion as the fire reached the petrol tank.

### Phrasal verbs with SET

A cat which got into the house through an open window **set off the burglar alarm.**

I'm going to write to the principal **setting out** my ideas for improvements to the school.

Recently more and more people have been **setting up** their own Internet companies.

The police **set their dogs on** the bank robbers as they tried to escape.

The terrible rain storms we've had recently have **set back** the house building programme by several months.

We'd better **set off** early tomorrow. We've got a long way to travel.