

Part 2

For questions 16–30, complete the following article by writing each missing word in the space provided. Use only one word for each space. The exercise begins with an example (0).

Example: 0 an ⁰

THE IDEAL HOME THAT COLLAPSED IN MINUTES

Five months of expensive home renovation have finally come to (0) ... end for the Willis family. Their house fell down.

As builders worked (16) underpinning their £750,000 three-storey Victorian home in Notting Hill, West London, a small crack appeared. (17) minutes, the house began to disintegrate. (18) raising the alarm, six pale-faced builders (19) only stand and watch as the whole building came down. More than 50 people (20) evacuated from a nearby care centre for the disabled, and firefighters rescued a girl aged six (21) the house next door after rubble blocked the exits.

Stephen Willis, a mining company director, his wife Victoria and their three children had been living in rented accommodation (22) the work, which was (23) include repairs and a rear extension, was carried out. Mr Willis said: "This is devastating. We loved the area." His children reacted (24) the news "surprisingly well" but his wife was very upset, he said. The family hope to rebuild (25) the same spot, once they hear (26) insurance companies.

Peter Docherty, contracts manager for their builders, said he had no idea what (27) the property collapse. They had delegated the underpinning work (28) specialist subcontractors. He said: "We are sure it was a fault with (29) existing structure. It was (30) we couldn't have foreseen."