

Roundhouse For Sale! – Oral Teacher Questions

Where is the roundhouse for sale located? **In Suffolk.**

The text states that the hillfort is built on a high hill. Why do you think being high helps with protection and security? **Being on top of a high hill allows the people who live there to have a good view of the surrounding areas, allowing them to see their enemies sooner.**

What are some of the benefits of this as a location for a hillfort? **It is located on a high hill; it is located near to a river for water and fish and a large area of woodland for food.**

What is the roof made of in the roundhouse? **The roof is made from straw with mud placed on top to keep in the warmth.**

Give three examples of jobs in the area. **Examples could include a blacksmith, a potter, a woodworker, a weaver, a bronze worker or a farmer.**

What is 'daub' made from? **It is made from a mixture of straw and mud and in some cases animal dung.**

What is the purpose of this text? **The purpose of this text is to persuade potential customers to buy this particular roundhouse. It is an advertisement.**

Why has the writer chosen the word 'community' to describe the people who live there? **The word community makes you think that the people enjoy living and working together. Customers will imagine that they too will enjoy living and working there.**

How does the quote from a previous buyer help to convince customers to buy this roundhouse? **This acts as an endorsement. Customers can read what other people think of the roundhouses and this helps to persuade them as it is a positive review.**

Why do you think the writer has chosen to include a 'special offer'? **A special offer is a way to entice future customers to buy the roundhouse.**

What effect do you think the figure '90% of Celts think our design is superior' have on the reader? **It makes the reader think that most people think this is a great place and so they will probably feel the same.**

What words and phrases does the writer use to persuade the customer that the hillfort is a great place to live? **Examples could include finest quality, best quality, best roundhouse in Britain, just perfect, superb, spacious or superior.**

Do you think this is an effective advertisement. Explain your answer. **Pupil responses will vary.**

If you were selling your home, what words and phrases would you use to describe it? **Pupil responses will vary.**