

Magical houses

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EXPLICIT CONTENT

1. What do you think houses in the future will be like

2. Could you build a house for yourself? How would you do it?

3. Is it better to rent or buy?

4. Some people say houses are too much like boxes or cages. Do you agree or disagree? Why?

5. What makes 'a house' into 'a home'?

2) Match the words the left with their definitions on the right.

- 1. Artisan**
- 2. Bespoke**
- 3. Blueprint**
- 4. Hollow**
- 5. Pod**
- 6. Shoots**

- a) A futuristic term for "small room" that makes your cramped apartment sound like a trendy space station. Because why call it a closet when you can call it a?**
- b) The grass's way of flipping the bird to lawnmowers, growing faster than you can say, "I'll mow the lawn tomorrow."**
- c) Someone who makes everyday things more expensive by adding a dash of hipster flair, handcrafted with love and pretentiousness.**
- d) A fancy way of saying "custom-made" for people who want to sound like they just walked out of a Jane Austen novel.**
- e) The emotional state of a donut after its insides have been ruthlessly devoured, or the feeling you get when watching reality TV.**
- f) A magical document that makes builders and architects believe they can turn your dream house into reality, even if it's held together with duct tape and hope.**

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1. Countertop
2. Four-story
3. Insulation
4. Overlook
5. Rocksheet
6. Woven

- a) While normal sheets are all about bedtime comfort, this is all about making buildings smooth and cool.
- b) A building so tall that by the time you reach your apartment on the top floor, you'll be too winded to enjoy the view.
- c) Nature's VIP seating area.
- d) The process of turning ordinary threads into something fancier by intertwining them in a complicated dance. Also known as "making a fabric out of yarn spaghetti."
- e) The fluffy stuff that keeps your house warm and cozy.
- f) It's the catwalk for your cuisine, the runway for your grooming routine, and the MVP of meal prep.

Watch the first part of the video (00:00-1:51).

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What is special about these parts of the house?

1) Living room on the fourth floor

2) Roofs

3) Windows

4) Basket bathroom

Watch the second part of the video (1:51-3:50).

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**In this fragment the speaker talks about features of bamboo.
Make notes about:**

1) plant type

2) growing conditions

3) number of species

4) growing time

5) strength

6) other features

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Answer these questions:

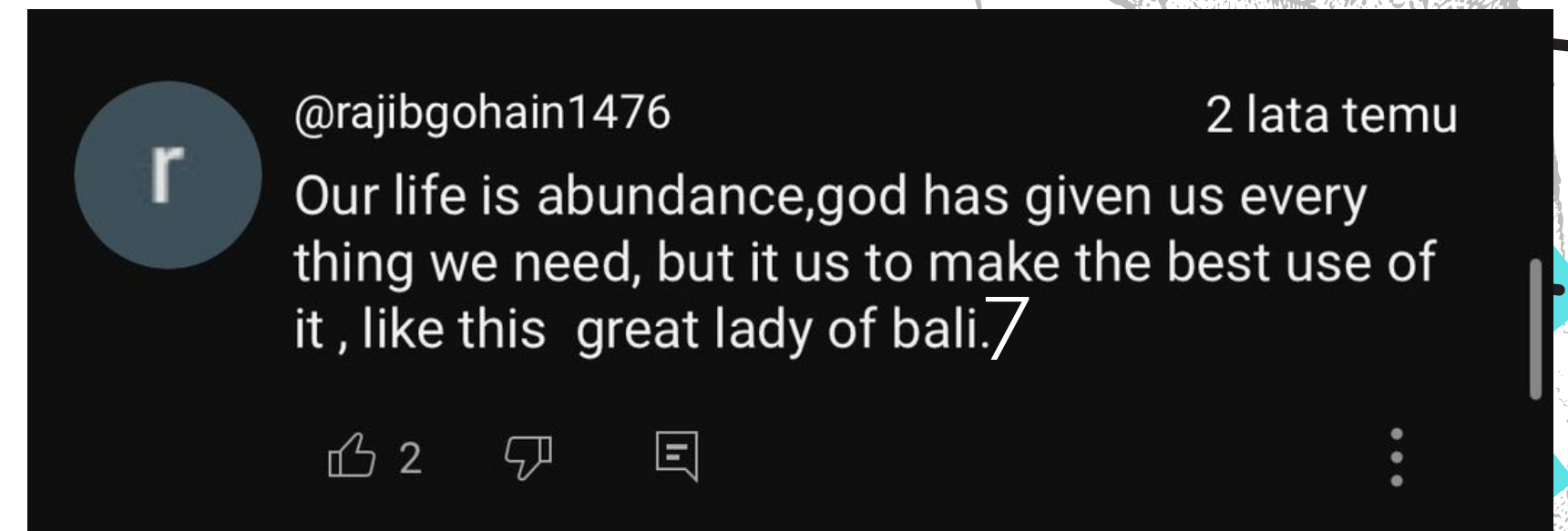
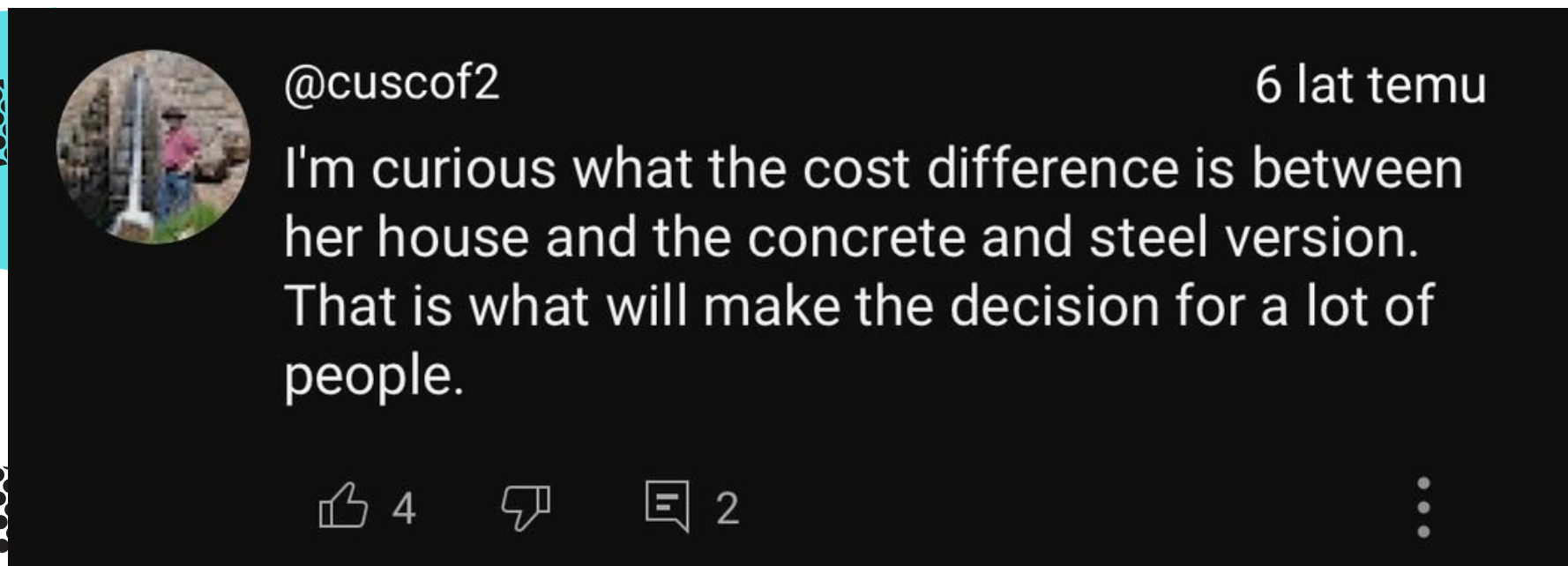
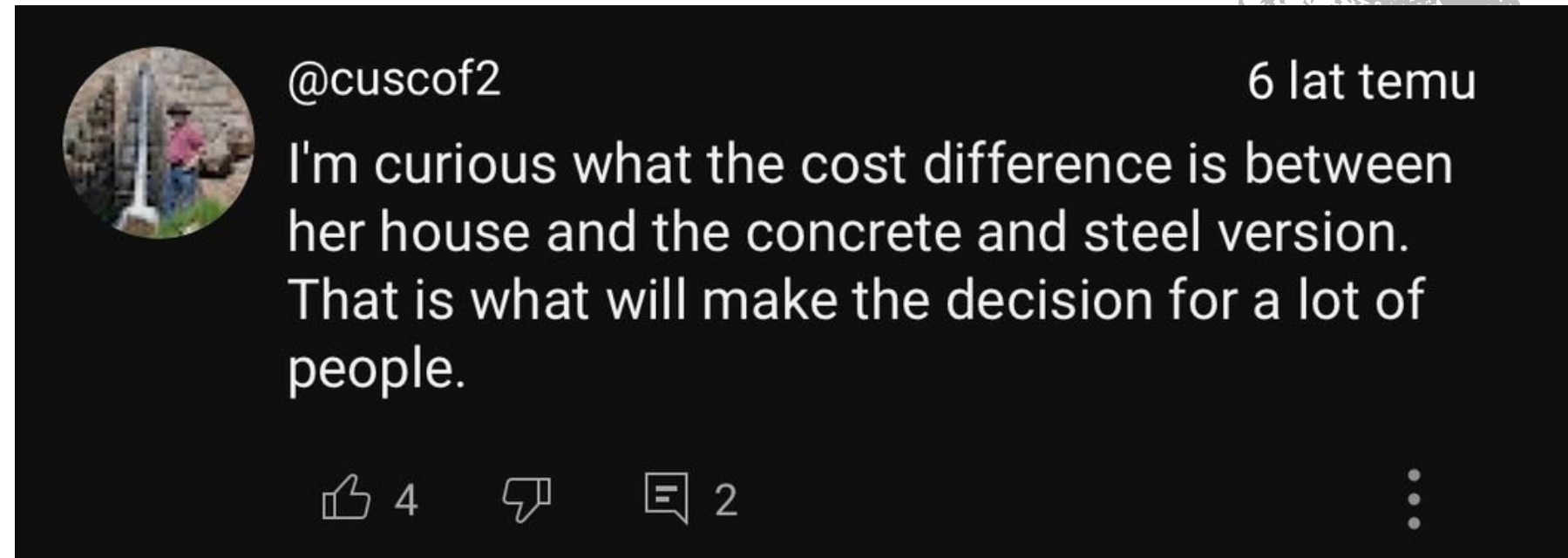
- 1) What is Ibuku and what does it do?**
- 2) What were their recent projects?**
- 3) What were the two issues/problems that Ibuku had with bamboo?**
- 4) How did they solve them?**
- 5) What are the rules for building with bamboo?**

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Write 3-4 questions about this fragment. Work in pairs. Ask the questions to your partner.

Discuss these comments:



Write your comment. What questions could you ask the speaker?