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- chest
- head

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- a ton of bricks
- bulldozer

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- ladder
- bridges
- ropes

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water
sand

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doghouse
cathouse
pighouse

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den
fort
office

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home
heart
life

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cards
straw
mud

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house
home
den

10. She brought the down with her hilarious performance.

roof
house
ceiling

11. I'm tired of watching these programs on TV.

run-of-the-mill

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run-of-the-factory

run-of-the-cottage

12. When she discovered that her son had failed his test, she went through the

door

wall

roof

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