

# From paper-clip to house in 14 trades

A 26-year-old Canadian man who set out to turn a paper-clip into a house by trading on the internet says he is about to complete his quest. In a year of bartering, Kyle MacDonald made a series of increasingly bigger and better trades until he was offered a three-bedroom house in Saskatchewan

**1** Fish-shaped pen



**2** Door knob



**3** Camping stove



**4** Electric generator



**5** Instant party kit  
Beer keg, neon sign and IOU for keg's worth of beer



**6** Snowmobile



**7** Trip to Yakh in British Columbia



**8** Cintas supply van



**9** Recording contract



**10** Year's rent in Phoenix, Arizona

**11** An afternoon with rock star Alice Cooper



**12** Snow globe



**13** Role in Corbin Bernson movie

**14** House in Kipling, Saskatchewan



Kyle MacDonald with a giant mock-up of the red paper-clip he set out to exchange for a house