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6 LET GLAZING BE THE STAR

The structure of this large, two-storey glass extension was designed so that the only visible material is glass except for the exposed steel beams between the two floors. Even the floor within the extension is made of glass to allow light to pool into the lower-ground floor room of the main house. **This project is by Belsize Architects and cost £1,050,000.**

7 BLEND INSIDE AND OUT

A minimally framed sliding door, seamless sandstone flooring and units that continue out from the kitchen inside all help make the division between house and garden indistinct in this ground-floor extension. A roof light allows sunshine to fall in on the dining area, creating an airy and tranquil space. **This project is by Studio Octopi and cost £137,000**

8 USE EVERY LEVEL

A new bedroom at roof level (just seen), and the replacement of outdated rear extensions were part of the modernisation of this Edwardian brick semi. Two interlocked boxes of stained timber provide a ground-floor family room with bi-folding doors and a master bedroom with views across the garden. Behind the top-floor parapets in the main house are two new children's bedrooms, a hidden terrace and a new bathroom. **This project is by Robert Dye Associates and cost £320,000.** >

