

UNIT /02: HOUSE AND HOME

IN THIS UNIT YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO

- identify rooms in a house and items in a home
- use the verb *to be*, present simple positive, negative and questions
- use adverbs
- speak about choosing accommodation
- write an email



LEAD-IN

01 Look at the pictures of rooms in a house. Which rooms are they? Complete the words with the missing letters.



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b _____



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02 Look at some other places that you find in and around a house. Then, match the names in the box to the pictures.

garden hall hallway basement attic garage study



SPEAKING: ITEMS IN A HOME

03 In pairs, you are going to talk together about some pictures. Read and do the task.

- Student A, look at the pictures – do you know what they show?
- Student B, tell Student A if their answers are correct.

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- Student B, look at the pictures – do you know what they show?
- Student A, tell Student B if their answers are correct.

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04 Now, label the items in Exercise 3.

05 What other items can you find in a home? In pairs, make a list of the items.

SPEAKING AND VOCABULARY

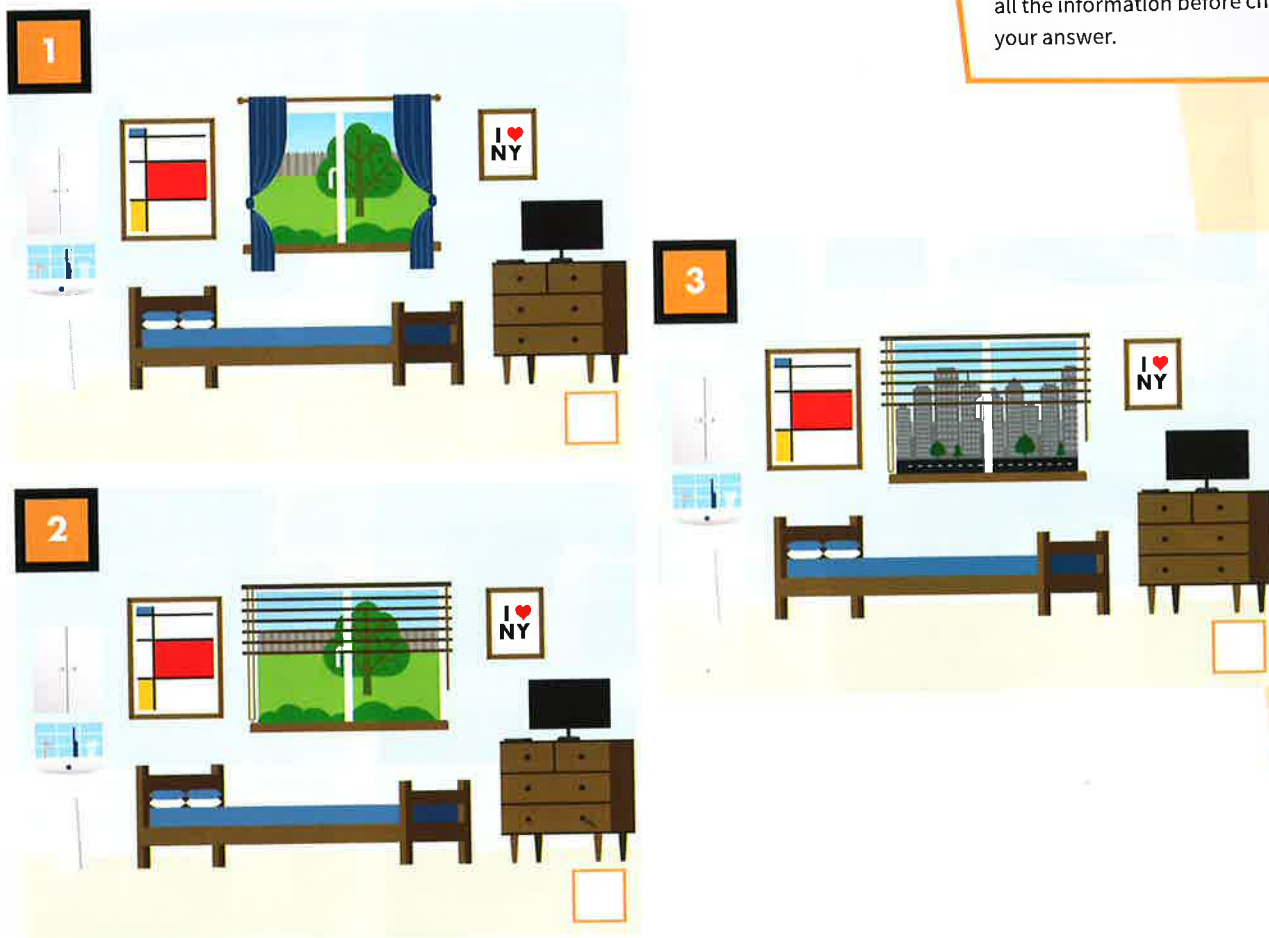
06 ▶ In pairs, discuss the differences between the items or places. You can use a dictionary to help you.

- 1 A house and an apartment / flat.
- 2 Curtains and blinds.
- 3 A fridge and a freezer.
- 4 A study and a living room.
- 5 A bath and a sink.

LISTENING 1: PICTURE DESCRIPTION

07 ▶ You are going to listen to a student, Giorgio, describing his bedroom. Listen and decide which picture is Giorgio's bedroom.

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TIP 07

During the exam, listen carefully to all the information before choosing your answer.

08 ▶ Cover the pictures in Exercise 7 with a piece of paper and listen again. Then, answer the question using TWO or THREE words.

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- 1 How does Giorgio describe his bed? _____
- 2 What can he see outside of his window? _____
- 3 Why does he play games on his phone? _____
- 4 Where is the bathroom? _____
- 5 What does he always do before he goes to college every morning?

- 6 What is at the window? _____



In tests and exams, you may be asked to write one, two or three words. Do not write more or less than you are asked to write.

READING: NOTE TAKING

09 In Listening 1, Giorgio spoke about going to university. Before he goes, he needs to organise his accommodation. He emails his friend Gavin for help and advice. Read the advert and the email. Then, complete Giorgio's notes.

TIP 09

Make sure you compare the information in the email to what you can see in the advert.

Prime Location Agency
We find accommodation for university students coming to the UK.

Taylor
Andrew Taylor

We are based in our office in London, but we have flats and rooms in locations all over the country.

020 7219 4386
andrewtaylor@uniaccom.com

To: Giorgio
From: Gavin

Hi Giorgio,

Here is the information you need. Mr Taylor is the best agent in the UK for helping you with your future accommodation. He can definitely find you somewhere nice to live. He only works in the office from Monday to Saturday, but you can contact him any time you want by email. Oh, one more thing – the advert has a mistake. His email address finishes with *.co.uk* and not *.com*.

Gavin

Giorgio's notes:

- Name of person to contact: 1 _____
- Name of Company: 2 _____
- Office location: 3 _____
- Email: 4 _____
- Contact: Monday to Saturday – in the office. Sunday – 5 _____

- 10** Look at the table and read the questions and statements. Giorgio decides to make a phone call to Andrew Taylor. What might they ask or say to each other? Put a tick ✓ next to the question or statement each one might ask or say.

	Giorgio	Andrew Taylor
1 Are you a student?		
2 I am a student.		
3 What do you want to study?		
4 I live with my parents at the moment.		
5 Can you speak English?		
6 Where is the accommodation?		

GRAMMAR: SIMPLE PRESENT POSITIVE, NEGATIVE AND QUESTIONS

- 11** Look at the words in bold in the table in Exercise 10. Then, complete the positive '+' and negative '-' statements and questions '?' in the chart.

	Statements and Yes/No questions with the verb <i>to be</i>	Statements and Yes/No questions with other verbs	Statements and Yes/No questions with <i>can</i>	Questions with question words + the verb <i>to be</i> OR other verbs
Positive (+)	I am a student.	I 2 _____ with my parents.	I 5 _____ speak English very well.	
Negative (-)	I 1 _____ a student.	I do not/don't live with my parents. He/She 3 _____ with his/her parents.	I can not/cannot/can't speak English very well.	
Questions (?)	Are you a student?	Do you live with your parents? 4 _____ he/she live with his/her parents?	6 _____ he/she _____ English?	Where is the accommodation? What do 7 _____ to study? Why 8 _____ he/she want to live in the UK?

- 12** Complete the sentences using the correct words.

- The car is in the garage. (+)
- The car _____ in the garage. (-)
 - _____ in the garage? (?)
 - Where _____ the car? (?)
- I play games on my phone in my bedroom.
- _____ games on my phone in my bedroom. (-)
 - _____ games on your phone in your bedroom? (?)
 - What games _____ on your phone? (?)
 - Can _____ a game on my phone later? (?)

LISTENING 2: SHORT ANSWERS

13 Listen to a conversation between Giorgio and Andrew Taylor who works at the accommodation agency. What do they discuss? Circle YES or NO.

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| 1 The course Giorgio wants to study at university. | YES | NO |
| 2 His study habits. | YES | NO |
| 3 The number of other students that also live there. | YES | NO |
| 4 Two types of accommodation. | YES | NO |
| 5 The teachers and lecturers at the university. | YES | NO |
| 6 Where the accommodation is. | YES | NO |
| 7 Giorgio's travel options from home to university. | YES | NO |
| 8 The different types of food you can eat there. | YES | NO |

13.1 MINI TIP Do you hear the exact name of a course?

13.2 MINI TIP How many options for accommodation does Andrew Taylor give?

13.3 MINI TIP Does Andrew Taylor mention a number?

READING: DIALOGUE BUILDING AND MATCHING

14 Read the sentences from Giorgio and Andrew Taylor's conversation and choose the best answer, A, B or C.

- 1 Good afternoon, Prime Location Agency, Andrew Taylor speaking. _____
 - 2 Oh, hello, Giorgio. Thank you for your call, I have some questions for you. _____
 - 3 First of all, _____ - in a room on campus or in private accommodation?
 - 4 I'm not sure. _____
 - 5 Well, tell me a little about your personality and your preferences. _____
 - 6 OK, that's great. _____ sometimes have a quiet room to study in private?
 - 7 If you live in private accommodation, you have a quiet life with maybe one or two other students who are your housemates. Although, it often takes a long time to travel to university. _____
 - 8 OK, one final question. Would you prefer to live somewhere which is catered? I'm not sure. _____
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 A Can I check your student status? B Can I give you my student status? C Have you got time to speak? Can you check my student status? 2 A I hope that you don't mind. B I hope that you mind. C Do you mind? 3 A Where you want to live? B Where you do want to live? C Where do you want to live? 4 A You can give me some advice? B Can you give me some advice? C Can give me you some advice? 5 A Are you a sociable person? B You are a sociable person? C Do you be a sociable person? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6 A Do you also like to B You also like to C Do you also like 7 A What you think? B What you do think? C What do you think? 8 A What is <i>catered</i> mean? B What does <i>catered</i> mean? C What means <i>catered</i>? |
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15 Listen again to the conversation in Exercise 13 and check your answers.

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16 ▶ Read the rest of the conversation between Giorgio and Andrew Taylor. Complete the conversation with the correct sentences A–H. There is one example.

Andrew: Do you have another question you want to ask me?

Giorgio: 1 D

Andrew: I think the house has superfast broadband. The Wi-Fi is sometimes very busy and slow on campus.

Giorgio: 2 _____

Andrew: You also have a TV in the private room, so you can connect your computer and play games on the TV.

Giorgio: 3 _____

Andrew: No, but you or your roommate can bring one.

Giorgio: 4 _____

Andrew: Yes, it's good because you can study together.

Giorgio: 5 _____

Andrew: Would you like to discuss everything with your parents?

Giorgio: 6 _____

Andrew: OK. Let me email you some information. You can contact me again after you read it.

A Oh, great. Do the rooms on campus also have TVs?

B Really? I like the idea of having a roommate.

C It's important to me to have a shower in the room.

D Yes. Is the Wi-Fi connection better on campus or in the private house?

E Yes, but I prefer to study alone. Oh, I don't know what to choose.

F Yes, that's a good idea. They always give me good advice.

G Oh, that's good to know. I really like playing online games, you see.

H My room in my parents' house is on the second floor.



Sometimes in tests, there are more answers than questions, so be careful to make sure you choose the best option.

READING AND GRAMMAR

17 ▶ Now, think about what you do each morning. In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- 1 On a weekday morning, what time does your alarm go off?
- 2 What time do you get up during the week?
- 3 Do you like to have a lie in at the weekend? If you do, what time do you get up?

18 Read how Giorgio describes what he does before and after he goes to university each day. For each question, choose the best answer A, B or C.

Every weekday morning, my alarm goes **1** _____ at 8:30am. This gives me enough time to get ready before my lectures start at 10:00am. Then, I **2** _____ up and go downstairs. I'm often too tired to eat breakfast, so I sometimes go to the **3** _____ and just drink some juice. I always talk to my housemates if they are there, in the **4** _____. After that, I head back upstairs to get ready. I go to the bathroom, **5** _____ my teeth, and sometimes **6** _____ my room. When it's time to leave, I pack my bag and go to college. At the end of the day when I get back home, I sometimes help the others with the **7** _____ - if we don't do it, all the rooms we share get very messy. When the house is clean again, we usually spend some time in the living room. We sit down together on the **8** _____ and play games online for a while. We're always happy when we get the chance to do this, as it helps us relax. Before I go to sleep, I sit at my **9** _____ and do my homework. I never forget to do it. At the weekend, I can finally relax. I have a lie **10** _____ until about 11:30am.

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| 1 A up | B on | C off |
| 2 A get | B go | C put |
| 3 A fridge | B sink | C freezer |
| 4 A basement | B kitchen | C bathroom |
| 5 A wash | B tidy | C brush |
| 6 A wash | B tidy | C brush |
| 7 A homework | B housework | C workhouse |
| 8 A chair | B desk | C sofa |
| 9 A desk | B bed | C drawers |
| 10 A on | B up | C in |

19 Look again at what Giorgio says in Exercise 18. Then, underline all the adverbs of frequency.

Example: I am often too tired to eat breakfast.

20 Circle the main verb next to each adverb.

Example: I (am) often too tired to eat breakfast

21 Complete the table using *before* or *after*.

When I use the verb <i>to be</i> ...	When I use other verbs ...
The <u>adverb</u> comes 1 _____ the verb.	The <u>adverb</u> comes 2 _____ the verb.
For example: I am <u>often</u> too tired to eat breakfast.	For example: We <u>usually</u> spend time in the living room in the evenings ...

22 Complete the sentences with the adverb *never* in the correct position.

- I _____ am _____ late for school.
- I _____ forget _____ to do my homework.

23 In pairs, speak about what you usually do on weekdays and describe a typical day for you at the weekend.

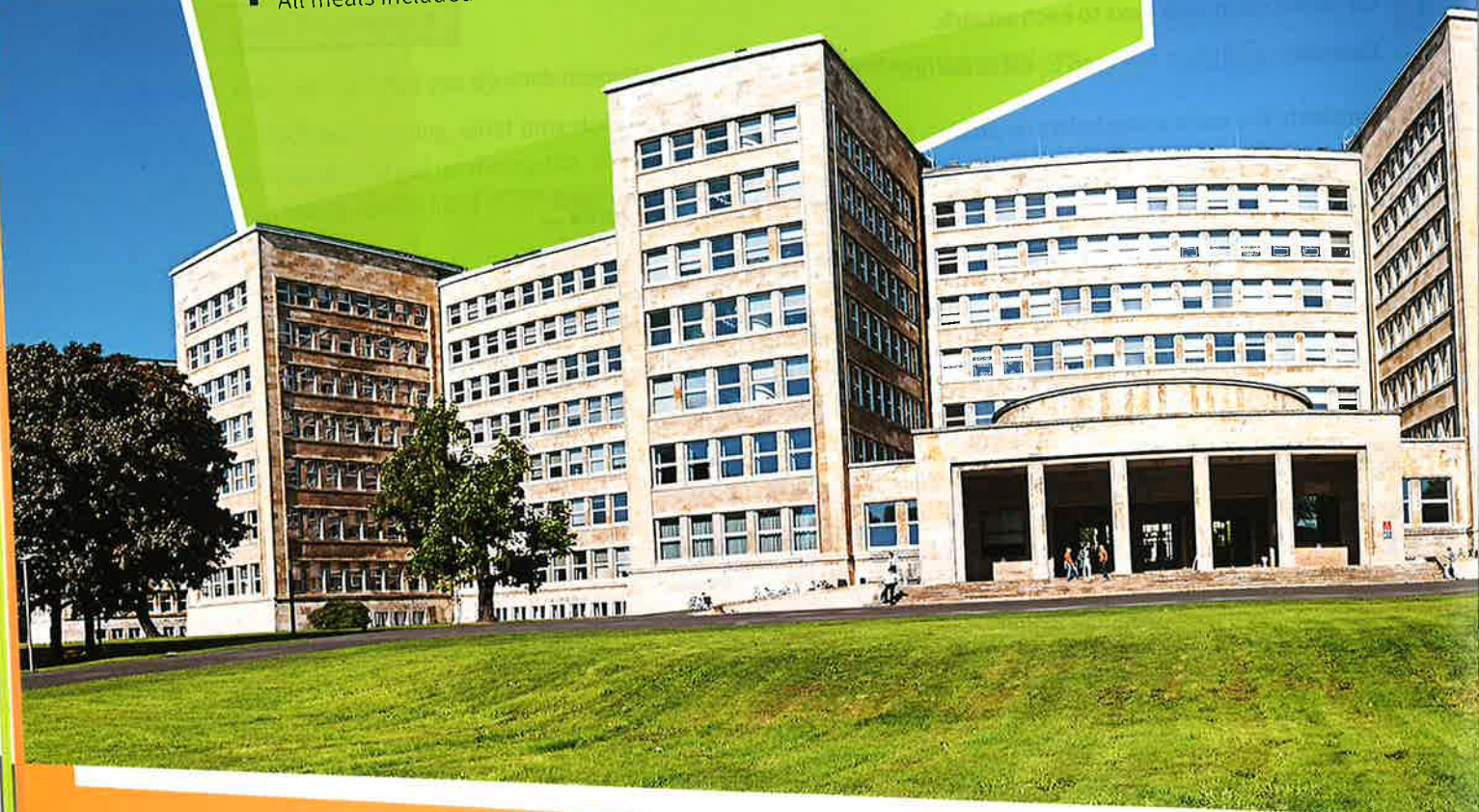
SPEAKING: CHOOSING ACCOMMODATION

2 4 Look at the information in the boxes that Andrew Taylor gave to Giorgio. In pairs, answer and discuss the question.

1 Which accommodation is best for Giorgio?

CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

- Five minutes walk to lecture hall (always)
- Fast Wi-Fi connection (sometimes slow at busy times)
- All bedrooms on floors 2, 3 and 4
- Single bed – no pillows or sheets provided
- Shared bathroom on every floor
- Modern apartment block (160 bedrooms in total)
- Live with 159 other students
- All meals included





PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

- 25 minute bus ride to lecture hall (usually – sometimes longer)
- Superfast Wi-Fi (always)
- Bedroom on ground floor
- Double bed – pillows and sheets provided
- Private bathroom
- Detached house (three bedrooms in total)
- Live with two other students and the homeowner
- No meals included



25 ▶ Which accommodation in Exercise 24 would you prefer? Use the questions below to help you decide.

- 1 In your opinion, what is more important, having superfast Wi-Fi speed or having a short walk to lectures?
- 2 Do you prefer the idea of having a pillow and sheets provided or not? Why?
- 3 How do you like the idea of a room on the ground floor?
- 4 Are you unhappy about the idea of sharing a bathroom with other students? Or does it not matter to you?
- 5 What do you think about having all your meals included?
- 6 What are the advantages of living with lots of other students? And what are the disadvantages?

WRITING: AN EMAIL TO A FRIEND ABOUT ACCOMMODATION

- 26** Read the email Giorgio received from his friend Gavin. Choose the best answer, A, B or C.

The main reason for writing is:

- A to say thank you to Giorgio.
- B to ask Giorgio for advice.
- C to tell Giorgio that he likes university.



Hi Giorgio,

So, we're both university students now! I like my room on campus very much. Are you on campus or in private accommodation? Are you happy with your choice of where you're living? Please tell me about your room. What other things do you like about where you live?

Write soon,

Gavin

- 27** Look at Giorgio's reply. He does not use correct punctuation or capital letters. Re-write the email and correct the mistakes.



hi gavin

i live in private accommodation i am very happy with my room my bed is very comfortable i have a big desk for studying and i have posters on the wall the Wi-Fi here is very fast i am happy about that because when i am in my bedroom i can speak to my parents online i can also play online games do you have Wi-Fi in your room is the food nice where you live

write soon

giorgio

- 28** Imagine you are Gavin. Write a reply to Giorgio and answer his questions. Then, ask him two questions about his accommodation. Write 60–80 words.



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GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

01 ▶ Read the definitions of places in and around the home and write the correct words.

- 1 This is the place where you usually sleep every night. _____
- 2 This is the place where you have a wash and brush your teeth. _____
- 3 This is the place where people usually sit together to talk, play games or watch TV.

- 4 This is the place where you keep the car. _____
- 5 This is the place that you walk through to move from one room to another.

- 6 This is the place where you can be outside and sit on the grass. _____

02 ▶ Look at the pictures and underline the correct answer.



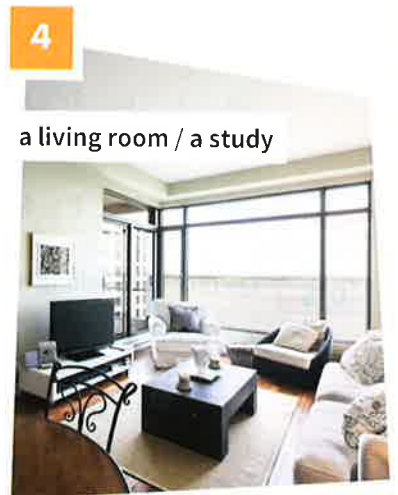
a fridge / a freezer



a terraced house /
a semi-detached house



a desk / some drawers



a living room / a study



an attic / a basement



a wardrobe / a cupboard



a chair / a sofa



a university campus /
a private apartment block

03 Match the questions and answers.

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| 1 What do you like about your room? | A Usually in the living room and sometimes in my bedroom. |
| 2 Who do you live with? | B Usually in the study and sometimes in my bedroom. |
| 3 Do you like to cook? | C My comfortable bed and my posters. |
| 4 Where do you watch television? | D Yes. Go down the hall and it is next to the living room. |
| 5 Is it often sunny where you live? | E My parents, my sister and my grandparents. |
| 6 Where do you do your homework? | F Because I can't cook! |
| 7 Can you tell me where the bathroom is, please? | G Yes, and I think I'm quite good at it. |
| 8 Why don't you often go in the kitchen? | H Yes. I like it because I can spend time in the garden. |

04 Find the 11 words about places and things in and around a home.

E	Y	D	B	S	H	O	W	E	R
K	P	G	A	R	D	E	N	M	S
O	B	B	S	T	U	D	Y	W	I
K	V	W	E	R	K	G	T	E	N
I	V	S	M	S	B	M	N	E	K
T	E	L	E	V	I	S	I	O	N
C	N	D	N	X	Z	R	V	S	N
H	I	L	T	A	T	T	I	C	F
E	S	Q	W	I	N	D	O	W	K
N	X	J	P	M	B	L	I	N	D

05 Correct the spelling mistake in orange in each sentence.

- I really like my **certains** – they are red and black, and they make my bedroom very dark. _____
- I have a bright **tabel lamb** that I use when I do my homework. _____
- I think **potsers** make the walls look more interesting – don't you? _____
- It is good to sleep with two **bilows** – it is very comfortable. _____
- My brother never cooks – the only thing he can do is turn on the **uven!**

- Most of my clothes are in my **walldrobe** – the rest are in the drawers next to my bed. _____

06 Rewrite the sentences using the question form.

0 You help your parents with the housework.

Do you help your parents with the housework?

1 It is okay to come to your house this evening.

2 You can check that the windows are all closed before we go out.

3 You are in the living room next to the kitchen.

4 You want to sit in the garden.

5 The apartments in the UK are very different from the apartments in your country.

07 Find and underline the mistakes. Correct any mistakes. Some sentences are correct.

1 In my country, people live usually in apartments and not houses. _____

2 My uncle keeps his car always in the garage because it is very expensive. _____

3 Our sink sometimes makes a very strange noise. _____

4 I have a housemate but I don't see very often him - he is always studying. _____

5 In your country, do people usually celebrate their 18th birthday with a party? _____

6 Do you prefer to do your homework in your bedroom? _____

08 Reorder the words to make correct sentences.

1 does / he / washing / never / up / the

2 me / advice / you / some / give / can / ?

3 eight / house / leave / morning / the / I / in / always / at / my / o'clock

4 off / time / your / does / what / alarm / go / usually / ?

5 often / dinner / house / my / comes / to / cousin / for / my

6 live / future / do / the / where / to / in / want / you / ?

7 live / how / you / do / with / people / many / ?

8 on / campus / live / you / do / university / the



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