



RENTING AN APARTMENT

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1. Talk To Your Partner

Student A: Ask questions 1–6.

Student B: Answer, then ask your questions 1–6.

Student A	Student B
1. Would you rather live in a big apartment or a small apartment? Why?	1. Would you rather live alone or with other people?
2. What is the most important thing when choosing a home?	2. Is a balcony important to you? Why or why not?
3. How much time would you spend looking for a new apartment?	3. How important is public transportation when choosing a home?
4. Would you live far from the city centre to pay less rent?	4. Would you accept a small apartment in a great location?
5. What facilities do you need near your home?	5. What would you check before agreeing to rent a place?
6. What would make you immediately reject an apartment?	6. What is one thing you would never accept in an apartment?

2. Apartment Vocabulary

Match each word with the correct meaning.

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| 1. rent | A. the person who rents an apartment |
| 2. deposit | B. money paid regularly to live in an apartment |
| 3. landlord | C. a person who owns and rents out an apartment |
| 4. tenant | D. an apartment with furniture already inside |
| 5. furnished | E. a legal agreement for renting a home |
| 6. unfurnished | F. money paid at the beginning and usually returned later |
| 7. utilities | G. an apartment without furniture |
| 8. lease | H. services such as water, electricity and gas |

REAL ENGLISH BOX

When talking about apartments, natural English often sounds like this:

"I'm looking for..."

"I'm interested in this apartment."

"How much is the rent?"

"Are utilities included?"

"Is the apartment furnished?"

3. Read The Apartment Ads

Apartment A – City Centre

One-bedroom apartment near shops and restaurants.

Fully furnished.

\$650 per month.

Electricity and water are not included.

No pets.

Two-month deposit required.

Apartment B – Riverside

Large studio apartment with balcony.

\$550 per month.

Unfurnished.

Water included. Electricity not included.

Pets allowed.

Ten minutes from the city centre by bus.

Apartment C – Green Park

Two-bedroom apartment in a quiet area.

\$700 per month.

Partly furnished.

Water and internet included.

Small pets allowed.

One-month deposit required.

Answer the questions.

1. Which apartment is the cheapest?
2. Which apartment has two bedrooms?
3. Which apartment includes internet?
4. Which apartment does not allow pets?
5. Which apartment is furnished?
6. Which apartment requires the smallest deposit?

Now choose.

Which apartment would you choose? Give two reasons.

4. Find The Best Apartment

Read the three situations.

Person 1:

“I have a cat. I don't have much furniture, and I want to live near the city centre.”

Person 2:

“I want to spend as little as possible. I don't mind taking a bus to the city centre, and I have my own furniture.”

Person 3:

“I want a quiet place for my family. Internet is important, and we have a small dog.”

Write the best apartment for each person.

1. Person 1: _____
2. Person 2: _____
3. Person 3: _____

Then explain your choices to your partner.

Teacher's Key

2. Apartment Vocabulary

1-B, 2-F, 3-C, 4-A, 5-D, 6-G, 7-H, 8-E

Activity 3: Answer the questions.

1. B
2. C
3. C
4. A
5. A
6. C

4. Find The Best Apartment

1. A
2. B
3. C