



RENTING AN APARTMENT

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1. YOU HAVE A BUDGET

You have **\$700 per month** for your apartment.

You need:

- a safe area
- public transportation nearby
- internet
- a place to cook
- enough space for two people

You are considering three apartments.

2. MAKE YOUR DECISION

Which apartment would you choose?

I would choose Apartment _____.

My reasons:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Now explain your decision to your partner.

Your partner must ask you two questions about your choice.

3. Something Changes

Now read the new information.

Apartment A: The landlord says the internet will no longer be included.

Apartment B: The landlord says the apartment is available immediately, but the kitchen needs some repairs.

Apartment C: The landlord says the rent will increase to \$600 after six months.

Would you change your decision?

Yes / No

Explain why.

APARTMENT A

\$650/month

One bedroom

Furnished

Internet included

15 minutes from the city centre

No pets

\$650 deposit

APARTMENT B

\$700/month

Two bedrooms

Unfurnished

Internet not included

5 minutes from the city centre

Pets allowed

\$700 deposit

APARTMENT C

\$550/month

Studio

Furnished

Internet not included

30 minutes from the city centre

Pets allowed

\$550 deposit

4. Talk To The Landlord

You have chosen an apartment.

Before you agree, you need to ask the landlord about:

- the deposit
- bills
- the lease
- repairs
- moving in
- house rules

5. Final Surprise

Your partner gives you **one problem**:

- A.** The rent is \$50 more than you expected.
- B.** The apartment is available two weeks later than you need.
- C.** Internet is not included.
- D.** You cannot have your pet.
- E.** The landlord wants a two-month deposit.
- F.** The apartment needs some repairs before you move in.

You have **one minute** to think.

Then continue your conversation.

Try to find a solution that works for both people.

7. Quick Self-Check

After the conversation, give yourself a score.

I can...	YES	NOT YET
ask about rent and bills	☐	☐
ask useful questions about an apartment	☐	☐
explain what I need	☐	☐
discuss a problem politely	☐	☐
suggest a solution	☐	☐
make a decision in English	☐	☐

One phrase I used well:

One phrase I want to practise more:

Prepare six questions.

Then have the conversation with your partner.

Student A = Tenant

You want to rent the apartment.

Student B = Landlord

Answer the questions and give realistic information.

Then change roles.

6. Final Real English Challenge

During your conversation, try to use at least **five** of these expressions:

- ☐ "I'm looking for..."
- ☐ "I'd like to ask about..."
- ☐ "Does that include...?"
- ☐ "How much is the deposit?"
- ☐ "Would it be possible to...?"
- ☐ "I'm not sure about that."
- ☐ "Could we find another solution?"
- ☐ "That sounds reasonable."
- ☐ "I'm afraid that won't work for me."
- ☐ "Let me think about it."
- ☐ "That could work."
- ☐ "Okay, let's do that."