

My house

Reading



1 Carlos, Ana and José are brothers and sisters. They live in very different places. Look at photos of two of their homes and answer these questions.

1 Where do you think these homes are?

2 Which house would you like to live in?

2 Read the descriptions below and match the texts and the photos of the two homes.

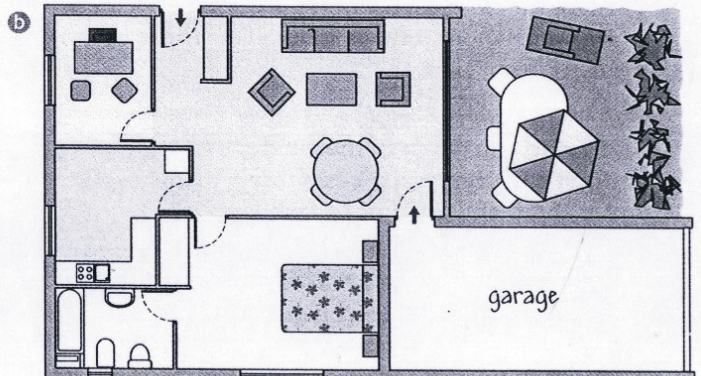
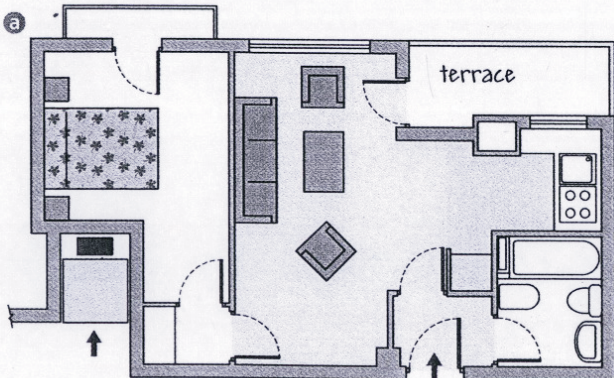
1 I live in Madrid with my parents, in a small flat in the centre of town. It's in an old building but it's got a lift. It's on a quiet street about five minutes from the shops. It's got two bedrooms, my bedroom and my parents' bedroom, a sitting room and a small kitchen. It's not very big and it hasn't got a garden but there is a lovely rooftop terrace. I spend most of my time in the sitting room watching TV or in my bedroom listening to music.

2 I live near Auckland, in a house in a small village on the coast, about twenty minutes in the car from my children's school. It's got a big garden with lots of trees and a tennis court. The house has got four bedrooms, two bathrooms, a sitting room, a study and a kitchen. My bedroom has got an en suite bathroom and I can see the sea from the balcony. There's a double garage where we keep the car and our mountain bikes.

Vocabulary

Rooms and facilities

1 Use the underlined words in the reading texts to label the diagrams below.



Look at the words again. Which have you got in your home?

2 Now listen to Carlos describing his flat. Which one is it?



Language focus

have / has got

1 Work in pairs. Match the questions on the left to the answers on the right.

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1 <u>Have you got</u> a new flat? | a) Yeah, <u>it has</u> , next to the kitchen. |
| 2 <u>Has it got</u> a living room? | b) No, not that big, but <u>I've got</u> a study too. |
| 3 Is the living room quite big? | c) Yeah, but <u>I haven't got</u> a car! |
| 4 Has it got a garage? | d) Yeah, <u>I have</u> ... and it's really nice. |

Listen again and check.

2 Work in pairs. Look at the underlined verbs to help you complete the table below.

have / has got

Positive	Negative	Questions
_____	_____	Have I got?
You've got	You haven't got	_____?
He's got	He hasn't got	Has he got?
She's got	She hasn't got	Has she got?
_____	It hasn't got	_____?

Short answers

Yes, _____	No, I haven't.
Yes, you have.	No, _____
Yes, he has.	No, _____
Yes, she has.	No, _____
Yes, _____	No, it hasn't.

See Reference Guide, p. 5.
See Workbook, p. 17, exs. 7-10.

The Real Thing: **really**1 (34) Listen to the three brothers and sisters answering the same question: *Do you like your house?* Write the correct answer.

- 1 Ana 2 José 3 Carlos

2 Look at the phrases below. Who's speaking?

- 1 I really love my house. Ana
2 I love the view of the sea.
3 I really like the terrace.
4 It's really close to the centre.
5 I really love the garden.

Listen and check.

3 (35) We use **really** to emphasise what we're saying. Listen and repeat.

- 1 It's really nice. 3 I really like the terrace.
2 I really love my house. 4 It's really close to the centre.

4 Complete the following phrases for your home.

I really love ... *I don't really like ...*
I really like ... *It's really ...*

5 Work in pairs and tell your partner about your home. Use the phrases in Exercise 4 to help you.

Practice

1 Complete these questions and answers.

- 1 Have you _____ a garden?
2 Yes, I _____. I _____ a small rooftop garden.
3 _____ your block of flats got a garage?
4 No, it _____. We park the car in the street.
5 _____ your sister _____ a big bedroom?
6 Yes, she _____. She _____ a really nice bedroom. It _____ two big windows and a balcony.

2 Finish these sentences so that they are true for your home.

- 1 It's got a / an ...
2 It's got some ...
3 It hasn't got a / an ...
4 It hasn't got any ...

Pronunciation

/ɔ:/ and /ɜ:/

1 (36) Listen carefully and repeat.

/ɔ:/ /ɜ:/
I can walk to work.

2 Look at the words in the box and write them in the correct column.

Thursday four thirty floor
girl world corner door

1 /ɔ:/	2 /ɜ:/
four	Thursday

3 (37) Listen to four short sentences. Which word do you hear?

- 1 thirteen / thirty 3 walk / work
2 fourteen / forty 4 work / walk

4 Practise saying the following questions.

- 1 Where do you work?
2 Do you walk to work?

(38) Listen and check.

A room to live in

Vocabulary

Colours and furniture

- 1 Which photo looks like your living room?
- 2 Work in pairs. Which items can you find in the photos?
- EXAMPLE: There's a TV in photo a.
- a TV ✓
 - a sofa
 - an armchair
 - a dining table
 - some book shelves
 - some plants
 - a big window
 - a fireplace
 - a CD player
 - a coffee table

Have you got these things in your living room?

- 3 Ask your partner about his / her living room.

EXAMPLE: 'Is there a TV in your living room?'
'Yes, there is.'



- 4 Which colours can you find in the photos?

red green yellow blue orange black
white grey brown pink

EXAMPLE: There's a white chair in photo a.

Which can you find in your living room?

- 5 Choose adjectives and match them with the photos.

relaxing comfortable colourful quiet smart
classical traditional young fashionable stylish

- 6 Read this short letter. Which room is it describing?

Hi Stevie!

This is a photo of my living room. It's got everything! There's an old TV, but it works. There are some chairs and a really comfortable sofa and of course there are lots of CDs! There aren't any windows, but it's really stylish. We spend a lot of time here. We eat here, watch TV and listen to music. It's a great room!

Anyway, you can see it for yourself when you come to visit!

See you soon!!!

Love,
Bianca.

Language focus

there is / are + a, an, some, any, lots of

Work in pairs. Look at Vocabulary, Exercise 6. Complete the box using *a, an, some, any* or *lots of*.

there is / are + a, an, some, any, lots of

Positive sentences

We use _____ / _____ with ***there's*** and

_____ / _____ with ***there are***. EXAMPLES:

There's _____ big fireplace in the kitchen.

There are _____ new chairs in the dining room.

Negative sentences

We use _____ / _____ with ***there isn't*** and we use

_____ with ***there aren't***. EXAMPLES:

There isn't _____ dining room.

There aren't _____ tables or chairs in the bedrooms.

Questions

EXAMPLES:

Is there a TV in the kitchen?

Is there an old fireplace in the bedroom?

Are there any book shelves in the living room?

We use _____ / _____ with ***is there ...?***

We use _____ with ***are there ...?***

Find more examples in transcript 3.9 in the Reference Guide.

See Reference Guide, p. 6. See Workbook, p. 16-17, exs. 5-6.

Practice

Work in pairs. Tell you partner three things about a room in your house or flat. Ask your partner three questions about his / her favourite room.

EXAMPLE: There's a big window in my bedroom.

Is there a window in your favourite room?