

Goal: Use the telephone and make appointments**Exercise 1: Let's find a new home.****Expressions**

too expensive	utilities are included	safe neighborhood	well maintained
reasonable rent	many shops	negotiable	new building
a unit	close to a metro station	nice landlord	stop by
convenient location	no agent fees	nice and quiet	easy parking

Ways to find a new new home

1. Read the classified ads in the newspaper,
2. Search for information on the internet.
3. Talk to friends and family.
4. Make an appointment with a real estate agent.
5. Make an appointment to speak to a rental agent.
6. Drive through the neighborhood.
7. Look at schools and parks in the neighborhood.
8. Look at stores in the neighborhood.
9. Walk through homes for rent.
10. Walk through homes to buy.

Example

- a: We need to find an apartment to rent.
b: I hope we can find a good one.
- a: Well, let's see. I want an apartment that's not too expensive.
b: Reasonable rent is important. Safe neighborhood is necessary, and we want a nice landlord.
- a: I want to live close to a metro station for my work.
b: Of course! How about many shops in the area?
- a: So, how should we start? Should we read the classified ads in the newspaper?

b: We can find everything on the internet. Let's check online first.

a: That's a good idea. Should we start?

b: Sure, let's do it.

Practice

a:

b:

a:

b:

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b:

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Exercise 2: Talking to the Canadian grandmother on the phone.

Example

The Canadian grandmother we met during last class came back to Taiwan, and she answers the call when the phone rings.

Grandmother: Hello, can I help you?

Tenant: I am calling about the condominium for rent. Is it still available?

Grandmother: Yes, how may I help you?

Tenant: How much is the rent?

Grandmother: NT\$17,500 per month, with a one-month deposit.

Tenant: That sounds great! I will take it.

Grandmother: Wait a minute. Are you a neat person?

Tenant: Of course I am.

Grandmother: Do you have any pets?

Tenant: I only have one dog and two cats, and they are not messy at all.

Grandmother: With pets, the rent is NT\$22,000 per month.

Tenant: Okay, my younger brother will also live with me. He is very cute and quiet.

Grandmother: For that, you need to pay me a two-month deposit.

Tenant: Wow! That sounds expensive.

Grandmother: Maybe, but it is a beautiful and nice apartment.

Tenant: OK, when can I see it?

Grandmother: Can you stop by at 3 p.m.?

Tenant: Yes, see you.

Practice

Grandmother:

Tenant:

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Exercise 3: Simple tense and continuous tense

Present continuous (進行式)

Subject	Be verb	Base + ing	Example sentence
I	am	talk + ing	I am talking on the phone.
He	is	read + ing	He is reading a book.
You, We, They	are	make + ing	We (We, They) are making an appointment.
He, She, It	is	move + ing	He (She, It) is moving into a new apartment.

When a verb ends in **e**, drop the **e** and add **ing**.

Examples

- make + ing => making
- move + ing => moving

Simple tense (簡單式) and continuous tense (進行式)

	Past (過去)	Present (現在)	Future (未來)
Simple (簡單式)	I talked on the phone.	I talk on the phone.	I will talk on the phone.
	He read a book.	He reads a book.	He will read a book.
	We made an appointment.	We make an appointment.	We will make an appointment.
	She moved into a new apartment	She moves into a new apartment.	She will move into a new apartment.
Continuous (進行式)	I was talking on the phone.	I am talking on the phone.	I will be talking on the phone.
	He was reading a book.	He is reading a book.	He will be reading a book.
	We were making an appointment.	We are making an appointment.	We will be making an appointment.
	She was moving into a new apartment.	She is moving into a new apartment.	She will be moving into a new apartment.

Pronouns (人稱代名詞)

	First person (第一人稱)	Second person (第二人稱)	Third person 第三人稱
主格 單數	I	you	he, she, it
主格 複數	we	you	they
受格 單數	me	you	him, her, it
受格 複數	us	you	them
所有格 單數	my	your	his, her, its
所有格 複數	our	your	their

Homework

Create a sentence for each sentence type below.

1. Past simple

2. Past continuous

3. Present simple

4. Present continuous

5. Future simple

6. Future continuous
