

SPEAKING

Real conversation

LEVEL

Beginner (A1)

NUMBER

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LANGUAGE

English

Learning outcomes

- I can engage in a simple conversation about where I live, where I work and my health.
- I can talk about a range of familiar topics using simple terms.





I was **ill** last winter but this
summer I **feel** fine so I am taking
a **holiday** to the **beach**!





Your home





Your home

1



I **live** in an **apartment** with a **balcony**.

2



My apartment has two **bedrooms**, a **kitchen**, a **living room**, and a **bathroom**.

3



My living room is **bigger** than my bedroom. It has a **sofa** and **chairs**.

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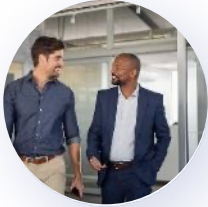


My kitchen is the **smallest** room in my apartment. It has a **refrigerator** and a **dishwasher**.



Where I work

5



I am an **accountant** and I **work** in an **office**.

6



My **schedule** is very busy and I have a **meeting** with my **boss** every day.

7



I take my **mobile phone** with me everywhere I go!

8



I **communicate** with my **colleagues** by **email**.

What do you have in each room?

house

wardrobe

apartment

shower

bathroom

chair

garden

upstairs

tidy

expensive



What do you do for a living?

Answer the three questions below with a partner. If you don't have a job, talk about what you want to do.

1 What is your job?

2 Where do you work?

3 What do you do at work?





Introduce yourself

Introduce yourself by talking about where you work and where you live.



*I am a teacher and I work at a school.
I teach children how to speak English.*

*I live in a house and my commute to work
is very long. I have a large house with four
bedrooms and a garden.*

There are 5,000 people in my town. It has...



My **commute** to work
is very long.

Your **commute** is the distance you travel
between your work and home.



Your health





Your health

1



Last week I was **sick**, but now I'm **fine**.

2



Did you go to the **doctor** and get some **medication**?

3



Yes, I felt **tired** and **unhealthy** and I had a **cough**.

4



It sounds like you had the **flu**. I'm glad you're feeling **better** now.



Your health

5



When I **cough**, I cover my **mouth** with my **hand**.

6



I only go to the **doctor** when I am **sick** or when I get **hurt**.

7



The **doctor** listens to my **heart**.

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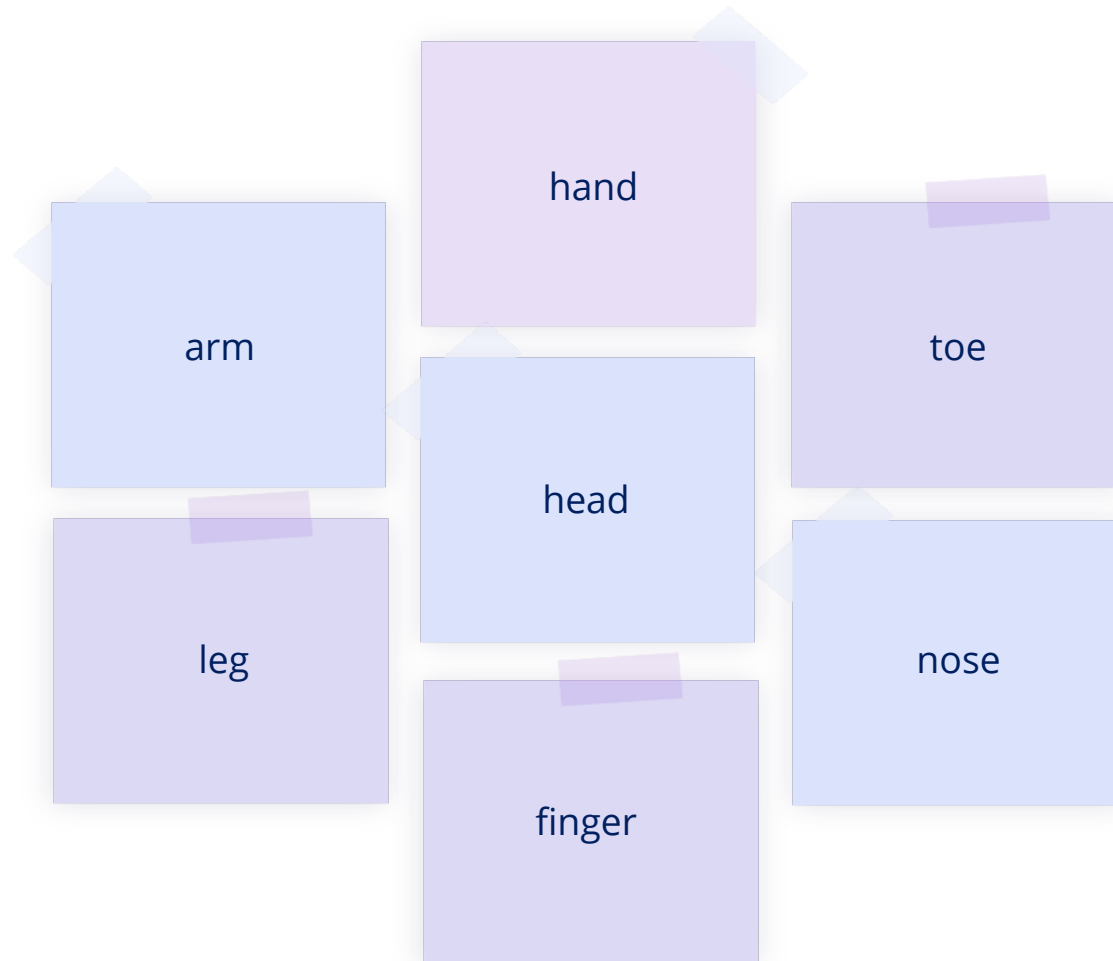


The **doctor** has a **smile** on his **face** and he asks if I feel better.



How many?

How many of each of these do you have? Use full sentences, and be careful with the plural forms!





What is happening?

Talk about the pictures with a partner.



Kim is sick again

I am always sick and I don't understand why! I eat pretty healthily. I drink coffee with sugar in the morning to give me energy. I also have chocolate cereal and milk. At lunch I usually eat fried chicken and drink a cola. Then I have some ice cream for dessert because dairy is good for you. For dinner I eat pizza. Pizza has lots of tomatoes. They're vegetables, right? It doesn't make sense!

I get enough exercise too. I take the stairs every day to my first floor apartment unlike my neighbour, who always takes the lift! I'm a member of the gym too and I go nearly every month. They have the best hot chocolate in the café!

And I get lots of vitamin D! I go to the solarium three times a week and use the sun bed for an hour each time! I just don't get it... What could I do differently? Help!



Give Kim some advice

Give some advice to your colleague Kim. She is always sick and she doesn't know why. Maybe you can help her. How can she avoid being sick so often?





Shopping





Shopping

1



I am **shopping** for a new **pink shirt** and the **salesperson** is helping me.

2



What **size** is that? I need a **medium**.

3



Where do I **pay**? Can I pay with **cash**?

4



I don't have that much **money**. Where is the **cash machine**?



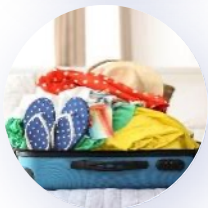
My last holiday

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On my last **holiday**, I **flew** to Thailand.

6



I **packed** summer clothes for the hot weather.

7



I took four **suitcases** and my **passport**.

8



I enjoyed the **beach** and wrote **postcards** to my friends and family.



Your last holiday

Talk about your last holiday.





End of the lesson

Idiom

on the mend

Meaning: recovering, improving in health

Example: Hi John, how are you feeling?
Much better, thanks! I'm on the mend.



Additional practice



Match the sentences

1 I live in a big house and...

2 I am an accountant and...

3 I was feeling sick last week but...

4 This shirt is too big and...

5 I flew to London on holiday and...

a now I feel fine.

b packed warm clothes for cooler weather.

c it has a garden outside.

d I work in an office.

e I need a smaller shirt.





Fill in the gaps



1 I _____ on holiday last year because I didn't have any money.

2 I got married _____ the 24th March.

3 When I cough, I _____ my mouth with my _____.

4 The doctor has a _____ on her _____.

5 I have ten _____ and ten _____.

fingers
hand
smile
didn't go
toes
cover
on
face





Your holiday



**Describe a place
where you have
been on holiday.**

**See if your teacher or
classmates can guess where
you went.**





A place in your country

Tell your classmates about a place in your country that they should go on holiday. What can you do there? What can you eat?





Answer key



P.25: 1) c, 2) d, 3) a, 4) e, 5) b

P.26: didn't go, 2) on, 3) cover, hand, 4) smile, face, 5) fingers/toes





Notes

