

LEVEL
Intermediate

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LANGUAGE
English





Goals

- Can correctly use vocabulary relating to relocating for work.
- Can use simple vocabulary specific to renting accommodation.







Preview and warm-up

In this lesson, you are going to learn words and phrases relating to **relocating and looking for a flat**.



I'm **renting** a three bedroom flat with two other **tenants**.



Vocabulary review





Examples with the words



My **house** is in a very quiet **neighbourhood**.

The **property** is in the **city centre**.



Mary loves living in the **suburbs** where there are fewer people.



Examples with the words



Our **bungalow** has a brand new **bathroom**.

The **kitchen** in the **studio** flat is well equipped.



John's **apartment** has a **bedroom** and a **living-room**.



New words

to rent

We're **renting** a house
for €1500/month.



tenant

A person who rents a
house or apartment is
the **tenant**.



flatmates

Jessy shares the
apartment with two
flatmates.



landlord

landlady

The owner of a property is called either **landlord** or **landlady**.



The **landlord** and the **landlady** came together to sign the contract.



Fill in the gaps

Fill in the gaps with the following words.

tenants

landlady

flatmates

landlord

to rent

1. We _____ a flat in the suburbs of Barcelona.
2. Sam shares the house with two _____.
3. The _____ who live in Alan's studio flat, pay the rent in cash.
4. The _____ is a very nice man, he will come and fix this broken tap.
5. My _____ is lovely, she made a special soup for me when I became very ill.





Writing

**Write questions with the words that you have just learnt.
flatmate / tenant / landlord / landlady / to rent**

A blank sheet of lined paper with a spiral binding on the left side, intended for writing questions.





Speaking

Answer the questions that you or your classmates have written.





New words

tenancy

My **tenancy** ends at the beginning of next year.

contract

We signed a one-year **contract** with the landlord.

rent

How much is the **rent**? 350 or 400 EUR per month?

**damage
deposit**

If you destroy the kitchen, we won't get the **damage deposit** back.



New words

utilities

Our rent does not include **utilities**, like gas or electricity.

gas bill

The company's **gas bill** is higher during winter.

water bill

The **water bill** shows how much water we consumed.

electricity bill

My **electricity bill** is almost nothing because I use LED bulbs.

furnished

unfurnished



It is usually more expensive to rent a **furnished** flat than an **unfurnished** one.



Unscramble

the two-month
damage

They return

one-year
contract.

an unfurnished

deposit at the

end of our
tenancy.

flat with a

We found



include gas.

but does not

The rent
includes

water and
electricity



Complete the advertisement

Read and complete the advertisement with the words given.

_____ studio flat for rent
from early September. It is located
in the centre of Oxford.

_____ : £850/month.

_____ (electricity, water,
gas): approximately £75/month.

Two months _____ is
required.

Minimum one year _____.

Call Andy on +44 7756 8932.

rent

contract

unfurnished

damage
deposit

utilities



Writing

**Write your own advertisement.
Use the previous exercise as an example.**

A blank sheet of lined paper with a spiral binding on the left side, intended for writing an advertisement.

Advertise!



to move into

to move out of



As soon as we **move out of** the old building we can **move into** the new house.



New words

to pack up

You have to **pack up** everything before you move out of your office.



to box up

We have spare boxes to **box up** our belongings.



to give away

You can **give away** the unnecessary furniture from your room.





Matching

Complete the sentences by matching two parts.

1. Before Khai moved into his new room,

a) office before they moved into the new building.

2. I have to box up my belongings as

b) he had to give away some furniture.

3. They packed up everything in the

c) instead of selling them.

4. I gave away many of my clothes to charity

d) I am moving out of my flat on Saturday.



Answer the questions

Answer the following questions.



1

Have you ever moved into or out of an apartment?

2

How long did it take to pack up your belongings?

3

Have you ever given away any of your possessions?



Speaking

Moving to another country or city is different to moving from one flat or house to another. Now think about the challenges of moving to another city or country. Consider the following:





Read the text

Sheila was very excited about moving to another country for work. She ended up finding a fully furnished room. It was her first time renting and having flatmates. The landlady seemed very nice and the rent was under her budget. It was only €250 + utilities and she only had to pay a one-month damage deposit when she moved in. She didn't want to think about moving countries again. It was a lot of work packing and boxing everything up. She had to give some things away, but she didn't mind. After she signed the contract, she was ready to start her new life!





Find the words

Read the descriptions and find the words in the text.

1. A fixed amount of money paid regularly for a property.
2. People someone lives with.
3. You pay this when renting something, it is then returned after
4. With furniture already.
5. The owner of the house/flat you are renting.



Speaking

Imagine your company has told you that you can relocate to any country you like for work.



Where are you going to relocate to?

Are you going to rent or buy a place?

If you rent, how long will the contract be for?



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise 1, p.10

1. rent
2. flatmates
3. tenants
4. landlord
5. landlady

Exercise 2, p.16

1. They return the two-month damage deposit at the end of our tenancy.
2. We found an unfurnished flat with a one-year contract.
3. The rent includes water and electricity but does not include gas.

Exercise 3, p.21

1. B
2. D
3. A
4. C

Exercise 4, p.25

1. Rent
2. Flatmates
3. Damage deposit
4. Furnished
5. Landlady





Unscramble

Unscramble the words.



1. snuindferhu

2. megada
pistopd

3. tsiieult

4. nctnaey

5. ievg ywaa

6. ccaotnrt

7. ylldaend



Homework writing activity

Write an email to your colleague. Tell her/him about the new flat that you moved in. Write about the location, the price, your flatmates or landlord and the moving procedure.

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To: anne.t@mail.com

Subject: new apartment

Dear Anne,

I am writing to inform you about the new apartment that I moved in.



Homework answer key

Exercise 1, p.31
1. unfurnished
5. give away

2.damage deposit
6. contract

3.utilities 4.tenancy
7. landlady



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