

READING

A day off at home

LEVEL

Beginner (A1)

NUMBER

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LANGUAGE

English

Learning outcomes

- I can understand a short text about a home.
- I can describe someone else's home in very simple terms.



Steve walks **across** the
room, **through** the
hallway, and **into** the
kitchen.



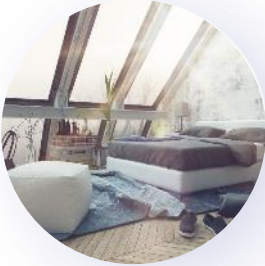


Vocabulary review





Sentences



His **apartment** is **small**.

His **living room** is also his **bedroom**.





Sentences



Steve is sitting in his **apartment**.

He has a **small** couch.



He wants a **bigger** couch.

He wants his friends to sit on a **bigger** couch.



A day off at home

Steve is sitting in his apartment on a Sunday afternoon. It's his day off, but he is working on a story. He is looking at his laptop on his desk. It is difficult for him to write today. Maybe he is working too much and needs a break.

He stands up and walks around his small apartment. His living room is also his bedroom. There is a comfy bed in the corner and a small couch next to his desk. Steve does not have a lot of furniture. He wants to get a bigger couch so his friends have a place to sit when they visit.





There is a **comfy** bed
in the corner of the
room.

Comfy is an informal way of saying
comfortable.

Do you own any **comfy** furniture?



True or false?

		True	False
1	Steve has a big apartment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	His living room is also his bedroom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	He has a bed and a small couch.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	He doesn't have a desk.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Sunday is his day off.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Multiple choice

1 He is looking at his laptop _____ his desk.

a. in

b. on

c. into

d. next to

2 He stands up and walks _____ his small apartment.

a. into

b. on

c. around

d. next to

3 There is a small couch _____ his desk.

a. next to

b. across

c. around

d. on



Unscramble

1

Steve

2

furniture.

3

have

4

a lot

5

doesn't

6

of



a

and a

b

Steve

c

comfy bed

d

a

e

has

f

small couch.



A day off at home

Now Steve is standing at the big window next to his desk. He is very bored. He spends a lot of time working and he doesn't know what to do on his day off. He is looking out of the window at the garden in front of his building. It's a warm and sunny day. He looks at his phone on the desk, and then at his laptop. He really wants to finish his work, but it's a perfect day to go out with his friends.





Match the sentences to the pictures

1



2



a There is a big window in his apartment.

b There is a garden in front of his building.

3



4



c It's a warm and sunny day.

d It's a good day to go out with friends.

5



6



e His phone is on his desk.

f Steve spends a lot of time working.



Multiple choice

1 The big window is _____ his desk

a. across

b. around

c. through

d. next to

2 He is looking _____ the window.

a. on

b. out

c. in

d. behind

3 The garden is _____ his building.

a. in front of

b. behind

c. into

d. on

4 He looks at his phone _____ his desk.

a. in

b. at

c. on

d. next to



Describing a room

Work in breakout rooms or together as a class.

Describe each room in detail.





A day off at home

Steve is thinking about what to do. He looks out the window again and sees people walking into the garden. It's his friends Tom and Sarah. They are coming upstairs to visit him. Steve walks across the room, through the hallway and into the kitchen. He opens the refrigerator and takes out three drinks. There is a knock on the door. Steve closes his laptop and puts it away.





Complete the sentences

- 1 Tom and Sarah are walking _____ the garden and then coming _____ to visit Steve.
- 2 Steve walks _____ the room, _____ the hallway, and _____ the kitchen.
- 3 He opens the refrigerator and takes _____ three drinks.
- 4 Sarah and Tom knock _____ the door.
- 5 Steve puts his laptop _____.



Dictogloss

Your teacher is going to read to you. **Write** down what you hear your teacher say.

A white sheet of paper with horizontal lines, designed for writing. The top-left corner is folded over.



End of the lesson

Idiom

There's no place like home.

Meaning: one is most comfortable at home

Example: The hotel was nice, but there's no place like home!



Additional practice



Fill in the gaps



1 Steve is sitting _____ his apartment.



Steve is sitting **in** his apartment.

2 He is looking at his laptop _____ his desk.



3 He stands _____ and walks
_____ his small apartment.



4 There is a bed in the corner and a small couch _____ his desk.



5 He wants to get a _____ couch so his friends have a place to sit when they visit.



6 He is looking _____ the window at the garden _____ his building.





Multiple choice

1



- a) The laptop is on the desk.
- b) The laptop is in the desk

2



- a) Go across the bridge.
- b) Go in the bridge.

3



- a) The food is at the fridge.
- b) The food is in the fridge.

4



- a) Drive through the tunnel.
- b) Drive on the tunnel.





Describe the picture

Talk to a partner about what you can see in the picture.





Writing

On your own, now write **five sentences** about the picture.



A large white rectangular area with a blue shadow on the left side, containing ten horizontal lines for writing.



Answer key

P.9: 1) F, 2) T, 3) T, 4) F, 5) T

P.10: 1) b, 2) c, 3) a

P.11: Steve doesn't have a lot of furniture. Steve has a comfy bed and a small couch.

P.13: 1) c, 2) f, 3) b, 4) a, 5) d, 6) e

P.14: 1) d, 2) b, 3) a, 4) c

P.17: 1) into, upstairs, 2) across, through, into, 3) out, 4) on, 5) away

P.18: He stands up and walks around his small apartment. His living room is also his bedroom. There is a comfy bed in the corner and a small couch next to his desk. Steve does not have a lot of furniture. He wants to get a bigger couch so his friends have a place to sit when they visit. Now he is standing at the big window next to his desk.



Answer key



P.22: 2) on, 3) up, around, 4) next to, 5) bigger, 6) out, in front of

P.23: 1) a, 2) a, 3) b, 4) a



Summary

Text about someone's home:

- Practising reading and understanding vocabulary about the home in context

Describing rooms and homes:

- Using new vocabulary in context



Vocabulary

apartment

around

small

living room

bedroom

next to

garden

in front of

couch

