

## A house with a history

### 1 VOCABULARY houses and furniture

a Order the letters to make three rooms in a house.

chitken \_\_\_\_\_ redboom \_\_\_\_\_ thorobam \_\_\_\_\_


b Name two things you usually find in these rooms.

c  p.151 **Vocabulary Bank** *Flats and houses*. Do parts 1 and 2.

### 2 LISTENING

a Read the advert and look at the photo.

Would you like to live in this house? Why (not)?

b  6.1 Larry and Louise are from the USA. They want to rent the house. Cover the dialogue and listen. Which three rooms in the house do they go into?

c Listen again and complete the dialogue.

**Estate agent** Well, this is the hall. There are six rooms on this floor. There's a kitchen, a <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, a living room, a <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, a library...

**Larry** Wow! There's a library, Louise!

**Louise** What's that room?

**Estate agent** That's a <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, madam.

**Larry** How many bathrooms are there?

**Estate agent** There's one downstairs and three <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

**Louise** Are there any <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

**Estate agent** No, there aren't, madam. This is an old house.

**Estate agent** This is the living room.

**Louise** Are those paintings original?

**Estate agent** Yes, I think so, madam.

**Larry** Is there a <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

**Estate agent** No, there isn't, sir. But there's a <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

**Estate agent** And the kitchen.

**Louise** There isn't a <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

**Estate agent** Yes, there is. It's over there,


**Louise** You call that a fridge! Are there any <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_? I need a glass of water.

**Estate agent** Yes, madam. There are some glasses in that <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Now let's go upstairs.

#### To Rent

Beautiful country house. Very quiet. Five bedrooms, large garden. Low price.



d  6.2 Larry and Louise and the estate agent go upstairs. Listen. What problem is there with one of the bedrooms? Do they decide to rent the house?

### 3 GRAMMAR *there is / there are*

a Read the dialogue in 2c. Complete the chart.


singular	plural
+ There's a piano.	There _____ some glasses in the cupboard.
- There _____ a fridge	There aren't any showers.
? _____ a TV?	_____ any glasses?

b What's the difference between...?

- 1 There are **four** glasses in the cupboard.
- 2 There are **some** glasses in the cupboard.

c  p.132 Grammar Bank 6A. Read the rules and do the exercises.

### 4 PRONUNCIATION /ð/ and /eə/, sentence stress

a  6.3 Listen and repeat. Copy the rhythm.

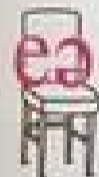


A Where's **the** bathroom?

B It's upstairs.

A Is **there** a lift?

B No, **there** are stairs.



A Where are **the** stairs?

B **They're** over **there**.

b In groups of three, roleplay the dialogue in 2c between the estate agent and Louise and Larry.

### 5 SPEAKING

a Complete the questions with *is there* or *are there*. In pairs, ask and answer.

#### In your house / flat

- 1 How many bedrooms \_\_\_\_\_?
- 2 How many bathrooms \_\_\_\_\_?
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ a study?
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ a garden?
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ a garage?
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ central heating?


#### In your bedroom

- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ a TV?
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ any pictures on the wall?
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ any plants?
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ a mirror?
- 11 \_\_\_\_\_ any cupboards?
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ a computer?

b Quickly draw a plan of your living room. 'Show' the room to your partner.

This is the living room. There are two sofas and an armchair...

### 6 LISTENING

 6.4 On their first night in the house, Larry and Louise go to the local pub. Listen and answer the questions.

- 1 What do they have to drink? Why?
- 2 What does the barman tell them?
- 3 What happens in the end?



6A *there is / there are*

	Singular	Plural
+	There's a piano.	There are some glasses in the cupboard.
-	There isn't a fridge.	There aren't any pictures.
?	Is there a TV?	Are there any glasses?
✓ ✗	Yes, there is. No, there isn't.	Yes, there are. No, there aren't.

- We often use *there is / are* with *a / an, some, and any*.
- Use *some* and *any* with plural nouns. *Some* = not an exact number.
- Use *some* in **+** sentences and *any* in **-** and **?**.

⚠ Be careful. *There is* and *It is* are different.  
*There's a key on the table. It's the key to the kitchen.*

6B *there was / there were*

	Singular	Plural
+	There was an old TV.	There were only three guests.
-	There wasn't a remote control.	There weren't any more people.
?	Was there a ghost?	Were there any lights?
✓ ✗	Yes, there was. No, there wasn't.	Yes, there were. No, there weren't.

- *there was / were* is the past of *there is / are*.

6C present continuous: *be + verb + -ing*

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Full form	Contraction	
I am	I'm	crying. having a party. arguing.
You are	You're	
He / She / It is	He / She / It's	
We are	We're	
You are	You're	
They are	They're	

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Full form	Contraction	
I am not	I'm not	crying. having a party. arguing.
You are not	You aren't	
He / She / It is not	He / She / It isn't	
We are not	We aren't	
You are not	You aren't	
They are not	They aren't	

?

✓

✗

Am I		Yes,	No,
Are you	crying?	I am.	I'm not.
Is he / she / it	having a party?	you are.	you aren't.
Are we	arguing?	he / she / it is.	he / she / it isn't.
Are you		we are.	we aren't.
Are they		you are.	you aren't.
		they are.	they aren't.

- Use the present continuous for things that are happening now.  
*It's raining. The baby's crying.*
- For the spelling of the *-ing* form see Grammar Bank 4B.

## 6D present simple or present continuous?

Present simple	Present continuous
My sister works in a bank.	Today she's working at home.
What do you usually wear to work?	What are you wearing now?

- Use the present simple to say what you usually do.
- Use the present continuous to say what you are doing now.

⚠ Be careful with *do*.  
 A What do you do? (= What's your job?)  
 B I'm a teacher.  
 A What are you doing? (= now, at the moment)  
 B I'm waiting for a friend.

6A

a Complete the sentences with *There's* or *There are*.

- There's* \_\_\_\_\_ a sofa in the living room.  
 1 \_\_\_\_\_ four cups in the cupboard.  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_ a clock in the kitchen.  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_ lots of chairs.  
 4 \_\_\_\_\_ a garage.  
 5 \_\_\_\_\_ some pictures on the wall.  
 6 \_\_\_\_\_ a desk in the study.

b Write , , or  sentences with *there is / are*.

- chairs / the garden *There are some chairs in the garden.*  
 1  table / the kitchen  
 2  fireplace / the living room  
 3  plants / the living room  
 4  cupboards / the kitchen  
 5  shower / bathroom  
 6  shelves / study

6B

a Look at the hotel information. Write a  or  sentence with *There was / were*.

Hotel Astoria	
single rooms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
double rooms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
swimming pool	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
restaurant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
car park	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
shops	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- There weren't any single rooms.*  
 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 \_\_\_\_\_

b Complete with the correct form of *there was* or *there were*.

- A How many guests were there in the hotel?  
 B <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ four including me. <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a French tourist and <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ two businessmen.  
 A <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a restaurant?  
 B No, <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, but <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a bar.  
 A What <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in your room?  
 B <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a minibar and a TV.  
 A <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ two beds?  
 B No, <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a double bed.

6C

a Write a question and answer for each picture.



- 1 *What's he doing?* He \_\_\_\_\_.  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_?  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_?

b Put the verbs in brackets in the present continuous.

- A Hello.  
 B Oh, hi Dad. Where are you?  
 A I'm in my hotel. *I'm having* a drink in the bar. (have)  
 It <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a lot here. Is Mum there? (rain)  
 B Yes, but she <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to somebody on the mobile just now. (talk)  
 A Oh. What <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_? (do)  
 B My friend Matt is here.  
 A Matt? Why <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ your homework? (not do)  
 B Don't worry. We <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ together. (study)  
 A Where's Jenny?  
 B She <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ for Kevin to come. (wait)  
 They <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a party tonight. (have)  
 A Oh. What <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_? (wear)  
 B Nothing special. OK Dad, here's Mum. Bye.

6D

a Right or wrong? Tick (✓) or cross (✗) the sentences.

- It rains at the moment.   
 1 Listen! The baby's crying.   
 2 My neighbours often argue.   
 3 John's on holiday. He has a great time.   
 4 My brother's staying with us at the moment.   
 5 I'm normally going to the gym after work.   
 6 A Where are you going? B To the shops.   
 7 A What are you doing? B I'm a teacher.

b Put the verbs in brackets in the present simple or continuous.

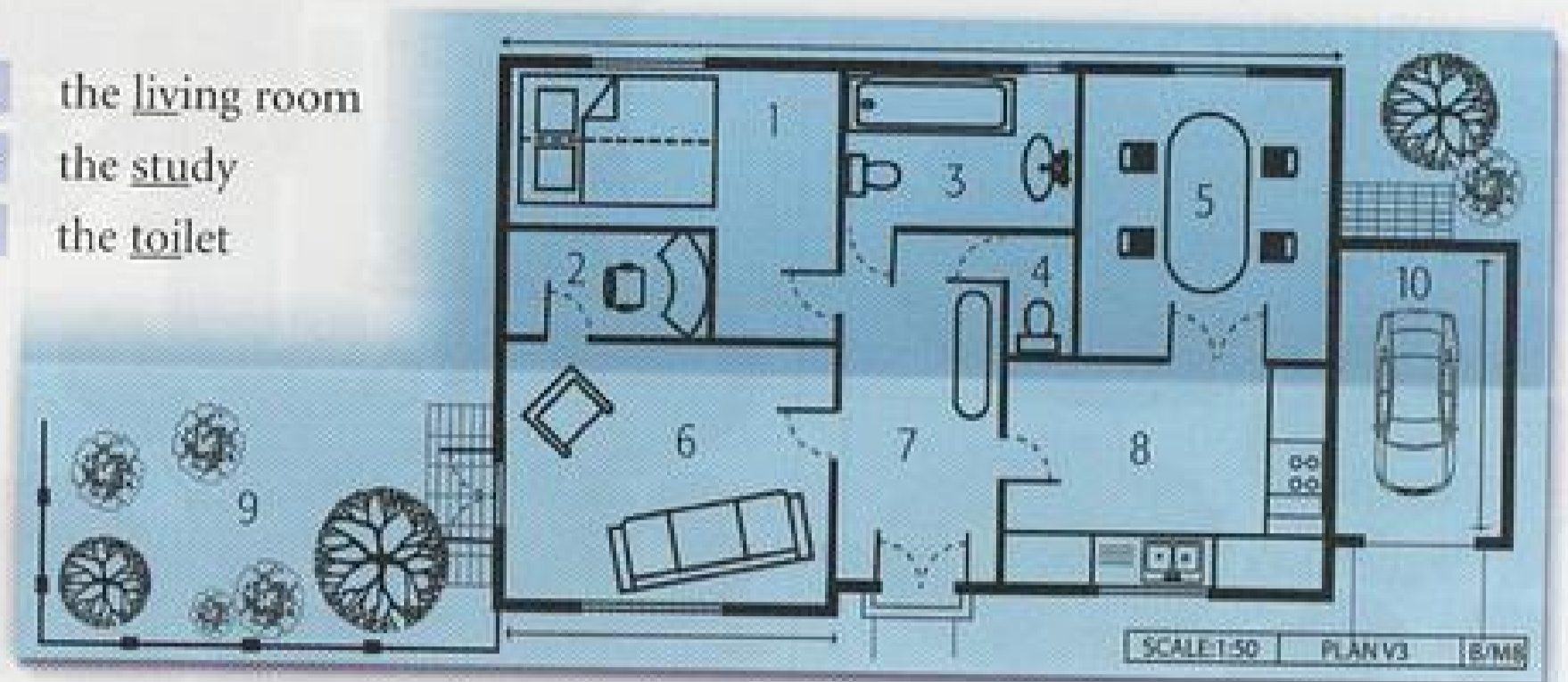
- Where are you going? (go) To play football – see you later!  
 1 A Hi, Sarah! What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ here? (do)  
 B I \_\_\_\_\_ for my boyfriend. (wait)  
 2 A What \_\_\_\_\_ your mother \_\_\_\_\_? (do)  
 B She's a nurse. She \_\_\_\_\_ at the local hospital. (work)  
 3 Listen! They \_\_\_\_\_ a party upstairs again. (have)  
 They \_\_\_\_\_ a party at least once a month! (have)  
 4 I \_\_\_\_\_ to the supermarket. (go)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ anything? (want)

### 1 Rooms

Match the words and pictures.

- 3 the bathroom /'bɑ:θru:m/
- 1 the bedroom
- the dining room /'daɪnɪŋ/
- the garage /'gærɑ:ʒ/
- the garden
- the hall /hɔ:l/
- 8 the kitchen /'kɪtʃɪn/

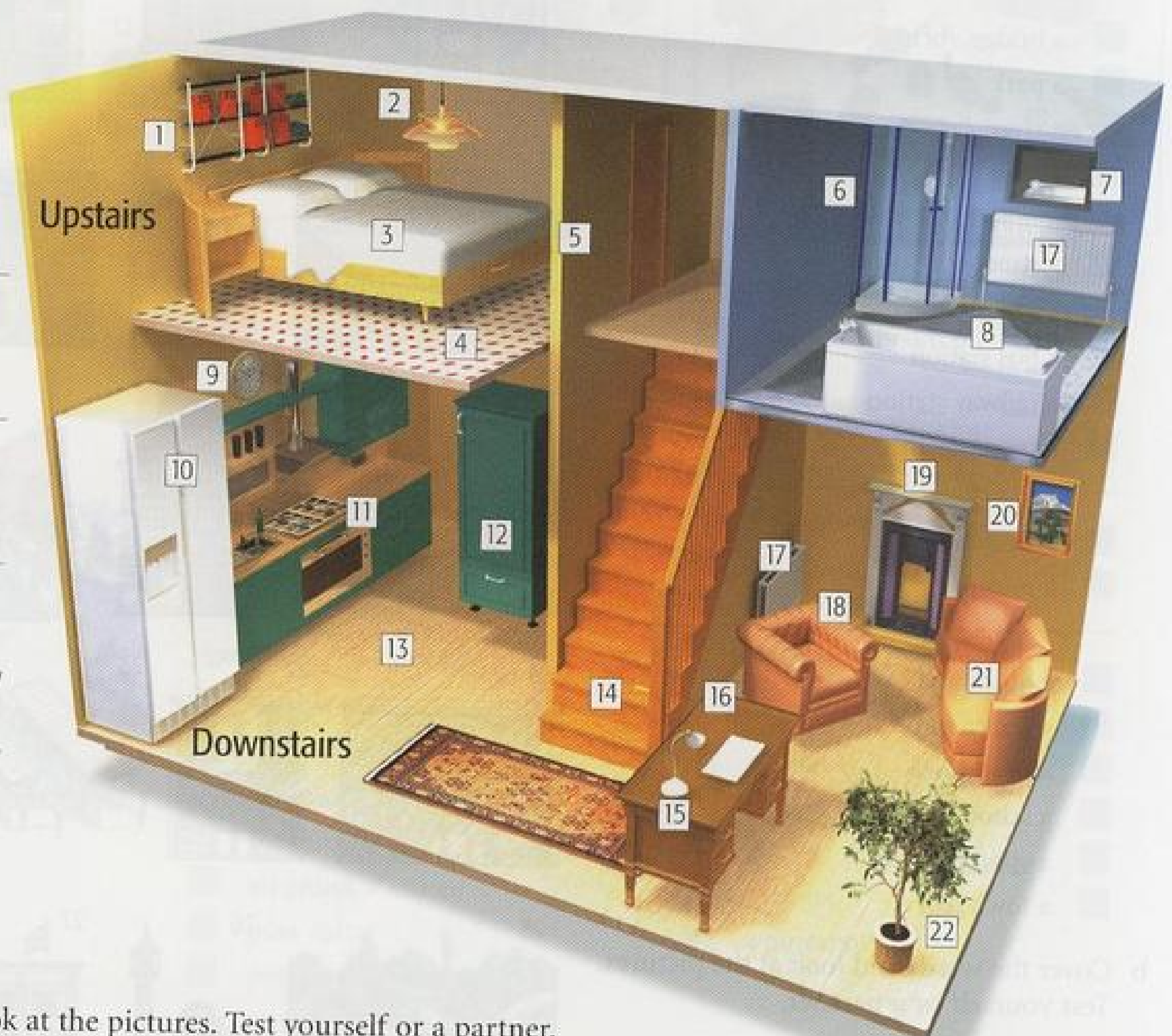
- the living room
- the study
- the toilet



### 2 Furniture and decoration

a Match the words and pictures.

- an armchair
- a desk
- a fireplace
- a lamp
- a picture /'pɪktʃə/
- a plant
- a sofa /'səʊfə/
- a bath /bɑ:θ/
- a mirror /'mɪrə/
- a shower
- a bed
- a light
- 1 shelves (a shelf)
- a clock
- a cooker
- a cupboard /'kʌbəd/
- a fridge /frɪdʒ/
- carpet
- central heating
- floor
- stairs
- a wall /wɔ:l/



b Cover the words and look at the pictures. Test yourself or a partner.

c What things do you have in your house / flat?