

- Description** Students read a text about houses and furniture and answer True or False questions  
**Lesson link** Use this activity after exercise 3  
**Time** 15 minutes  
**Extra material** Print out and photocopy the *Beautiful flat in the Scilly Isles* worksheet for each student
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## Instructions

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- a** Ask SS 'When you go on holiday, where can you stay?' Elicit suggestions such as a friend's house, a hotel, a youth hostel, a holiday flat (a flat which you rent for a few days or some months).
- b** Explain that SS will read a short advert from the Internet which advertises a holiday flat in the Scilly Isles, a group of islands off the coast of Cornwall, England. Then SS will have to answer eight True or False questions.
- c** Give each student a copy of the *Beautiful flat in the Scilly Isles* worksheet. Give SS five minutes to read the article and answer the True or False questions. Before giving SS the answers, give SS a minute to discuss their answers with a partner.

### Answers

- 1 False. It is on the island of St Mary's (one island in the Scilly Isles group).
- 2 False. She recommends the town for young families (families with young children).
- 3 True. You can get there by boat or helicopter.
- 4 False. They were a popular destination for pirates (but not now).
- 5 True. It has a sea view in the main bedroom.
- 6 False. It is part of a seventeenth-century house.
- 7 True. It is for rent from June to August.
- 8 False. You can email or call her (by phone).

## **Beautiful flat in the Scilly Isles**

My beautiful flat on the Isles of Scilly is for rent! It is in Hugh Town, on the main island of St Mary's. It is in a town with lovely old houses and a quiet atmosphere – perfect for young families.

The Isles of Scilly are very close to Cornwall, off the west coast of England. You can get here by boat or by helicopter. When you arrive you will find a very different place to the rest of England. We have a special climate so different plants grow all over the islands and you may see animals like dolphins and seals. It is also famous for many reasons. The writer Mervyn Peake lived here and the islands were always a popular destination for pirates!

There are three bedrooms in my flat. In the main bedroom there is a double bed and a sea view. The other bedrooms have two beds in each. There is a bathroom in the main bedroom, and another for the rest of the flat. It is on the top floor without a garden but there is parking in the street outside. The flat is part of a seventeenth-century house but the kitchen, bathrooms and furniture are all modern. And it is free to rent from June to August. If you are interested, please email me or call with any questions you have.

*Joanne Lathwell.*

**Read the advert. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).**

- 1 The flat is on the island of Scilly.
- 2 Joanne recommends the town for teenagers.
- 3 You cannot walk to the island from Cornwall.
- 4 There are pirates in the islands.
- 5 You can see the sea from the flat.
- 6 The flat is in a very modern building.
- 7 You can only rent this flat in summer.
- 8 You can only contact Joanne by email.