PUTTING ENGLISH TO WORK 1: UNIT 17

YOUR HOUSE OR APARTMENT

In this unit you will learn:

THESE LIFE SKILLS:

- Identifying rooms in a house
- Reading rental ads

THIS VOCABULARY:

- Parts of a house
- Abbreviations

THIS GRAMMAR:

- Yes/No questions
- Information questions

bedroom, bathroom
"House for Rent"
balcony, roof, front door
ba., mgr., apt.
Does it have a balcony?
How many bedrooms are there?
**Vocabulary: Rooms in a House**

- bathroom
- bedroom
- dining room
- garage
- kitchen
- living room

**Exercise 1:** Jack is in his house. Read what Jack is doing. Then, choose the room where Jack is.

1. Jack is sleeping. He’s in the ________________________________.
2. Jack is taking a shower. He’s in the ________________________.
3. Jack is cooking dinner. He’s in the ________________________.
4. Jack is parking his car. He’s in the ________________________.
5. Jack is watching television. He’s in the
   ________________________________  ______________
6. Jack is eating dinner with his family. He’s in the
   ________________________________  ______________
Listening from the Video

**Exercise 2:** Watch the first “It’s Your Turn” in the video. Listen to the teacher’s questions. Then, write the answers to the questions.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>A house</th>
<th>An apartment building</th>
<th>Yes, there is.</th>
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<td>Two</td>
<td>No, there isn’t.</td>
<td>One</td>
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1. Is this an apartment building or a house? ________________
2. Is this an apartment building or a house? ________________
3. How many bedrooms does it have? ________________
4. How many bathrooms does it have? ________________
5. Is there a living room? ________________

**Exercise 3:** Watch the third “It’s Your Turn” where Maria is calling about an apartment. Listen to the teacher’s questions. Then, write the answers.

1. How many bedrooms does it have? ________________
2. Does the apartment have a balcony? ________________
3. Is there a swimming pool? ________________
4. How much is the rent? ________________
5. When can Maria see the apartment? ________________
Vocabulary: Parts of the House

balcony   elevator  front door  gate  laundry room

porch   yard  roof  sidewalk  swimming pool

Exercise 4: Where’s Jack? Look at each picture. Then, write the word(s) in the spaces below.

1. He’s on the _________________________ .
2. He’s in the __________________________.
3. He’s on the__________________________ .
4. He’s in the__________________________ __________.
5. He’s at the___________________________.
6. He’s on the___________________________.
Exercise 5: Unscramble the following words.

1. inkecht ________________________________
2. lidikews ________________________________
3. omoebre ________________________________
4. luydnapoom ________________________________
5. eeolravt ________________________________
6. ooahrbtm ________________________________
7. orcpf ________________________________

Review these abbreviations from the video:

- air conditioning = AC
- apartment = apt.
- bathroom = ba.
- bedroom = bdrm.
- manager = mgr.
- near = nr.
Exercise 6: Look at the “For Rent” sign. Answer the questions.

FOR RENT
3 brdm. apt., 2 ba., $1000/month
AC, nr. schools and shopping
call mgr. at 323-555-6000

1. Is this ad for a house or an apartment? ___________________

2. What is it near? ____________________________________

3. How many bedrooms are there? ________________________

4. How many bathrooms are there? ________________________

5. How much is the rent? _______________________________

6. What is AC? _______________________________________

7. Who do you call about the apartment? __________________

Grammar: Questions

Questions Words

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<th>How many</th>
<th>bedrooms</th>
<th>does</th>
<th>it have?</th>
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<tr>
<td>bathrooms</td>
<td>are</td>
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<td>there?</td>
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<tr>
<td>How much</td>
<td></td>
<td>is</td>
<td>the rent?</td>
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<tr>
<td>When</td>
<td></td>
<td>can</td>
<td>I see it?</td>
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Yes/No Questions

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<th>Does</th>
<th>it</th>
<th>have</th>
<th>a balcony?</th>
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<td>Do</td>
<td>the rooms</td>
<td>have</td>
<td>a lot of windows?</td>
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<tr>
<td>Is</td>
<td>there</td>
<td></td>
<td>air conditioning?</td>
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<td>Are</td>
<td>there</td>
<td></td>
<td>two bedrooms?</td>
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**Exercise 7:** Read the conversation between Maria and Mrs. Lopez. Fill in the blanks with these vocabulary words:

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<th>How much</th>
<th>How many</th>
<th>Is there</th>
<th>Are there</th>
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<td>When</td>
<td>Does</td>
<td>does</td>
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Maria: Is this Mrs. Lopez?
Mrs. Lopez: Yes, it is.

Maria: I’m calling about the apartment for rent.

(1) ______ ________ bedrooms ________ it have?

Mrs. Lopez: It has three bedrooms.

Maria: (2) ______ it ________ AC?

Mrs. Lopez: Yes, it (3) ________.

Maria: (4) ______ ________ a swimming pool?

Mrs. Lopez: Yes, there is.

Maria: (5) ______ ________ is the rent?

Mrs. Lopez: It’s $950 a month.

Maria: (6) ______ ________ any schools near the apartment?

Mrs. Lopez: Yes, there is a school two blocks away.

Maria: (7) ________ can I see it?

Mrs. Lopez: You can see it tomorrow at 3 o’clock.

Maria: (8) ______ is the apartment available?

Mrs. Lopez: It’s available next month.

Maria: See you tomorrow at 3.

Mrs. Lopez: Bye.
Life Skill: Reading a Rental Advertisement

Exercise 8: Look at the rental advertisement. Circle the answers to the questions.

**Apartment for Rent**

3 bdrm., 2 ba., AC
nr. school + post office
$975 a month

Call Mario, mgr.
(818) 555-1247

1. How many bedrooms are there?
   a. one  b. two  c. three

2. Who is Mario?
   a. the owner  b. the manager  c. your friend

3. Are there two bathrooms?
   a. Yes, there are.  b. No, there aren’t.

4. How much is the rent?
   a. $818  b. $555  c. $975

5. Is the apartment near a school?
   a. Yes, it is.  b. No, it isn’t.

6. Is there air conditioning?
   a. Yes, there is.  b. No, there isn’t.

7. Who do you call about the apartment?
   a. the school  b. the manager
Writing

Exercise 9: Describe where you live. Follow this example:

I live in an apartment. My apartment has two bedrooms and one bathroom. It has a kitchen, a living room, and a laundry room. It has a balcony and air conditioning. It has a backyard. It is near a school and a supermarket.

I live in a/an _________________________________________
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Narrative Reading

“Mr. and Mrs. Lieberman”

Mr. and Mrs. Lieberman are not happy. Their apartment is very small. It has one bedroom and one bathroom. There is no garage and no laundry room. The rent is $750. They need to move. They want to live in a house with a backyard. They are looking in the newspaper for a house. They want a large house with three bedrooms and two bathrooms. They need a garage and a laundry room. They want air conditioning and a swimming pool. They also want to be near schools and near a supermarket.

Exercise 10: Answer the questions about the story.

1. Are Mr. and Mrs. Lieberman happy? _______________________
2. Do they have a large apartment? _______________________
3. How many bedrooms does it have? ______________________
4. How many bathrooms does it have? _____________________
5. How much is the rent? _________________________________
6. Is there a garage? ______________________________________
7. What are they looking for? _____________________________
8. How many bedrooms do they want? ____________________
9. Do they need a laundry room? _________________________
10. Do they want a swimming pool? _______________________

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UNIT TEST 17 -- WRITTEN EVALUATION

Part 1: Fill in the blanks.

1. What is this? It’s a ________________ . [page 2]
2. She’s in the ______________ _______ . [page 2]
3. It’s a ___________________ _______ . [page 4]
4. Does the apartment have a balcony?
   __________ , __________ _________ . [page 4]

Part 2: Follow the directions.

5. Write the abbreviations for the following words: [page 5]
   a. apartment __________
   b. manager __________
   c. bathroom __________
   d. bedroom __________

6. Ask the question for the following answer: [pages 6, 7]
   The rent is $725.
   __________ _______________ is the rent?

7. Ask the question for the following answer: [pages 6, 7]
   The apartment has three bedrooms.
   __________ _______________ bedrooms does it have?
Part 3: Answer the questions about this ad.

Apartment for Rent
2 bdrm. – 1 ba.
nr. supermarket
swimming pool
$850 a month
Call Stella, mgr.
(323) 555-4702

8. How many bathrooms are there? [pages 6, 8]
   a. one   b. two   c. three   d. four

9. Is there a swimming pool?
   a. Yes, there is.   b. No, there isn’t.

10. What is near the apartment?
    a. a month   b. an apartment   c. a supermarket   d. Stella
Unit 17 - Student Answer Key

Exercise 1, page 2
1. bedroom  2. bathroom  
3. kitchen  4. garage  
5. living room  6. dining room

Exercise 2, page 3
1. It's a house.  
2. It's an apartment.  
3. two  
4. two  
5. Yes, there is.

Exercise 3, page 3
1. It has one bedroom.  
2. Yes, it does.  
3. No, there isn't.  
4. It is $800 a month.  
5. Tomorrow at 3:30.

Exercise 4, pages 4-5
1. sidewalk  2. elevator  
3. roof  4. laundry room  
5. gate  6. balcony  
7. swimming pool  8. yard  
9. porch  10. front door

Exercise 5, page 5
1. kitchen  2. sidewalk  
3. bedroom  4. laundry room  
5. elevator  6. bathroom  
7. porch  8. balcony

Exercise 6, page 6
1. The ad is for an apartment.  
2. It's near schools and shopping.  
3. There are three bedrooms.  
4. There are two bathrooms.  
5. The rent is $1000 a month.  
6. AC is air conditioning.  
7. You should call the manager.

Exercise 7, page 7
1. How many bedrooms does it have?  
2. Does it have AC?  
3. Yes, it does.  
4. Is there a swimming pool  
5. How much is the rent?  
6. Are there any schools near the apartment?  
7. When can I see it?  
8. When is the apartment available?

Exercise 8, page 8
1. c  2. b  3. a  4. c  
5. a  6. a  7. b

Exercise 9, page 9
Students' answers will vary.

Exercise 10, page 10
1. No, they aren't.  
2. No, they don't.  
3. It has one bedroom.  
4. It has one bathroom.  
5. The rent is $750.  
6. No, there isn't.  
7. They are looking for a house.  
8. They want three bedrooms.  
9. Yes, they do.  
10. Yes, they do.