

A2

GENERAL ENGLISH

EIGHTH SESSION

Unit 5: Home

there is / there are · have got · modifiers (very, quite, really)



Objectives

5.1

Dream Homes

Talk about your home — there is / there are.

5.2

To Have and Have Not

Talk about things you have — have got.

5.3

World Class

Describe where you live — modifiers (very, quite, really).

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Communication & Writing

Furnish a home · start and end an informal email · join sentences with and, but, or.

LEAD-IN

Match the Types & Descriptions to the Photos

Match each house type (1–4) and description (a–d) to the correct photo.

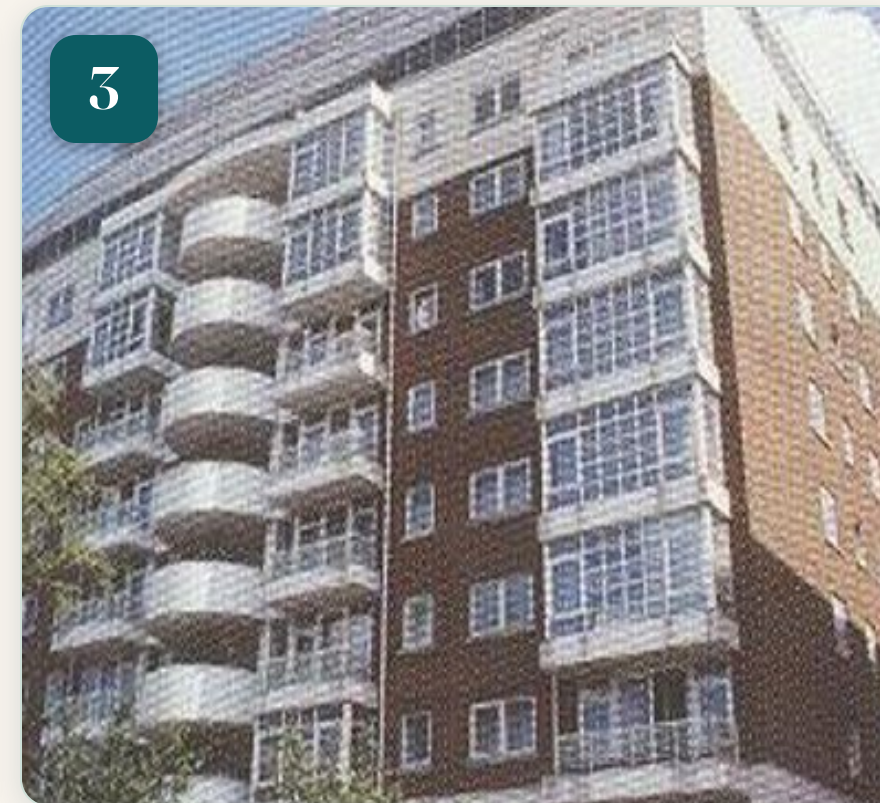
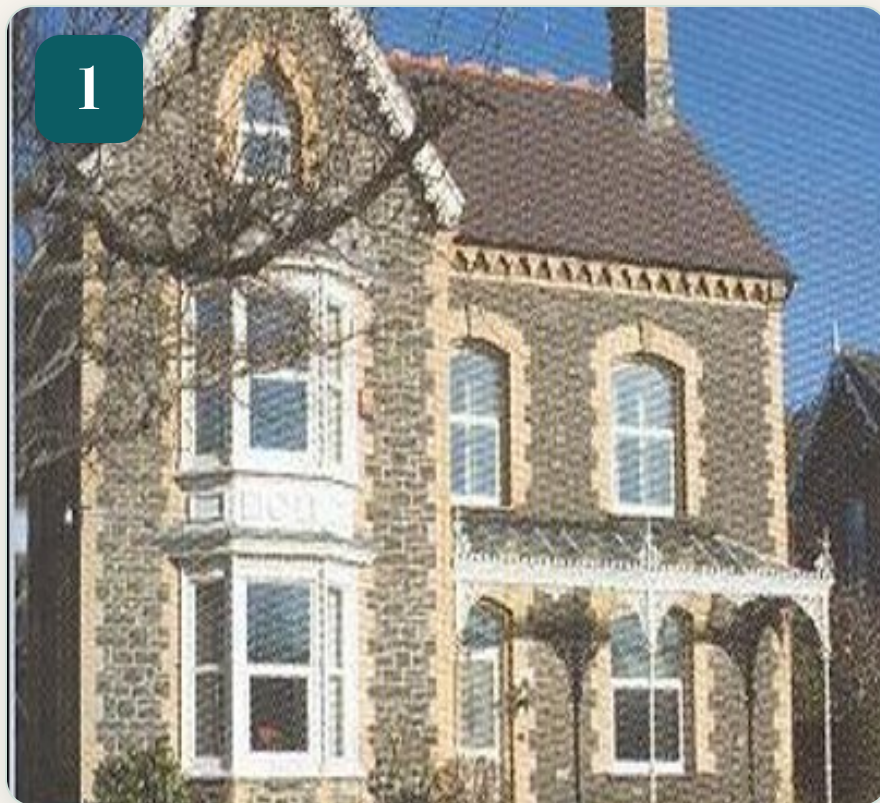
HOUSE TYPES

detached house

terraced houses

apartments

villa



a

A home in a building with lots of others.

b

A big house with a garden, often near the sea.

c

A house with no others joined to it.

d

A house with another house on each side.

Where Can You Do These Activities?

Match the activities to the rooms. E.G. Cook — “You can cook in the kitchen.”

ACTIVITIES

cook

sleep

eat

watch TV

have a shower

work

keep things you don't use

ROOMS

attic

kitchen

bathroom

living room

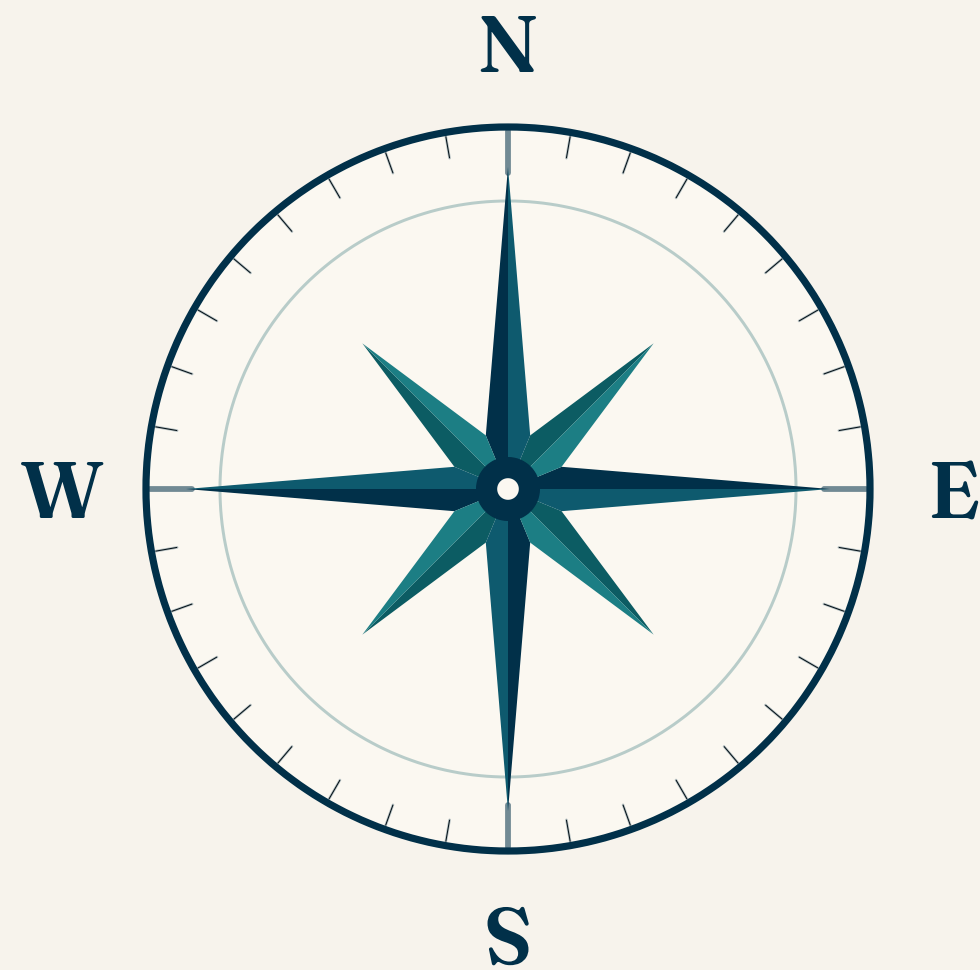
bedroom

shower room

dining room

study

Look at the Compass and Answer



- 1 What is in the north, centre, south, west and east of your country? Which part do you live in? Where is your capital city?
- 2 What's important to you about your home? — type of house · number / type of rooms · location.

DISCUSS Where would you like to live? Why?

5.1 · READING

Dream Homes

Talk about your home — there is / there are.

WARM-UP What kind of home do you live in? Do you like your home — why / why not?

5.1

An Unusual House in Italy



Near a pretty village in the Italian countryside, between Locorotondo and Martina Franca, this house with an unusual roof is very private. The small windows mean it feels cool all day, but you can also relax in the light, sunny garden behind. Inside, **there are** five bedrooms, two bathrooms and a study — plus central heating and double glazing.

IN THIS HOME

5 bedrooms

2 bathrooms

study

central heating

double glazing

An Eco-Villa by the Sea



This lovely eco-friendly home is on an island in Georgian Bay, Canada. In front of the villa lies the bay, part of the Atlantic Ocean. The villa has one bedroom in the attic, a bathroom, a kitchen, a dining room and a living room with a small library. On the roof **there are** solar panels, which provide all the hot water. There isn't a garage.

IN THIS HOME

1 bedroom (attic)

solar panels

library

no garage

A Windmill Home



This beautiful old windmill in Massachusetts is next to open parkland but near a busy town. It has three bedrooms, a bathroom and shower room, a large kitchen / dining room and a living room. **There is** also a cellar under the kitchen, and a garden and patio outside.

IN THIS HOME

3 bedrooms

shower room

cellar

garden

patio

Match the Features with the House

Which house is it — 1, 2 or 3? Then: which one do you prefer?

IT IS...

by the sea

not hot during the day

near a town

IT HAS...

a room at the top of the house

a room below the house

a room to work in

Write the Words in the Correct Column

Sort the words you have met into the four groups.

TYPE OF BUILDING

detached house
+ add more...

ROOMS

bathroom
+ add more...

OTHER FEATURES

garden
+ add more...

ADJECTIVES

beautiful
+ add more...

Learning New Words — Personalise It!

TIP When you learn a new word, write it in a personal sentence. e.g. shower room — “We have a bathroom and a shower room in our house.”

WRITE A PERSONAL SENTENCE FOR EACH

central heating

solar panels

cellar

double glazing

patio

There Is / There Are

Complete with 's, is, isn't, are or aren't.

	SINGULAR	PLURAL
+	There's a garden.	There — five bedrooms.
—	There — a garage.	There aren't any solar panels.
?	— there a cellar?	— there any windows?
✓	Yes, there is. · No, there — .	Yes, there — . · No, there aren't.

Is There / Are There?

E.G. Are there two bedrooms in the windmill? — No, there are three.

1 How many bedrooms ____ in the eco-villa?

2 ____ central heating in the detached house?

3 ____ a cellar in the eco-villa?

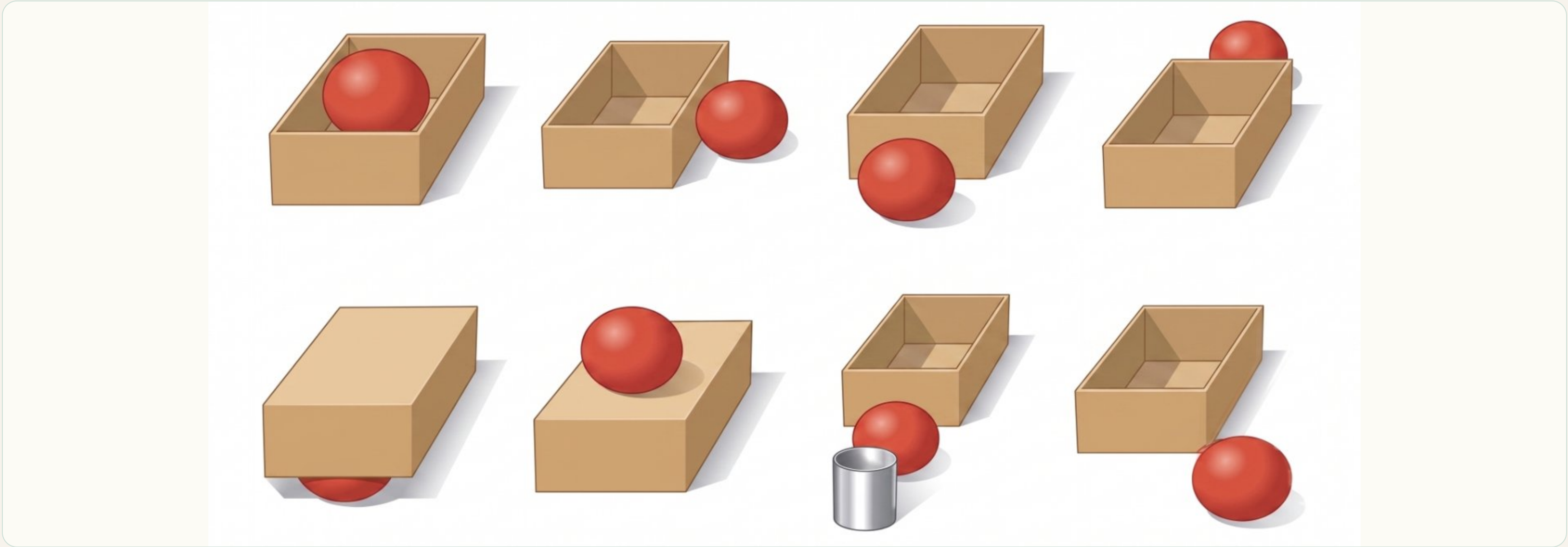
4 How many bathrooms ____ in the detached house?

5 ____ solar panels on the windmill?

Where Is It?

Find the prepositions in the texts and write them under the pictures.

- behind
- between
- in
- in front of
- near
- next to
- on
- under



Describe Your Dream Home

1 Make Notes

Think about your dream home. Make notes — e.g. modern apartment, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, balcony...

2 Tell Your Teacher

Now tell your teacher about your dream home — e.g. “There are three bedrooms in my dream home...”

A Holiday Villa in Spain



FOR SALE

- ◆ 150 square metres
- ◆ Four bedrooms, three bathrooms
- ◆ Living room, kitchen
- ◆ Patio and two balconies
- ◆ Garage · air conditioning
- ◆ Shared swimming pool

€395,000

Two minutes from shops & restaurants · 15 km from the village

Ask about the Villa

Ask and answer to find out about the villa. Then: do you want to buy it? Why / why not?

1 How big?

2 How many rooms?

3 Other features?

4 Garden / terrace?

5 Where (near shops, etc.)?

6 Price?

A Holiday Apartment in New York



FOR SALE

- ◆ 100 square metres
- ◆ Two bedrooms, two bathrooms
- ◆ Living room, kitchen
- ◆ Dining room (or extra bedroom / study)
- ◆ Garage · air conditioning
- ◆ Two large terraces, front and back

\$950,000

Central Manhattan — very near shops, restaurants & theaters

Ask about the Apartment

Ask and answer to find out about the apartment. Then: do you want to buy it? Why / why not?

1 How big?

2 How many rooms?

3 Other features?

4 Garden / terrace?

5 Where (near shops, etc.)?

6 Price?

5.2 · VOCABULARY & GRAMMAR

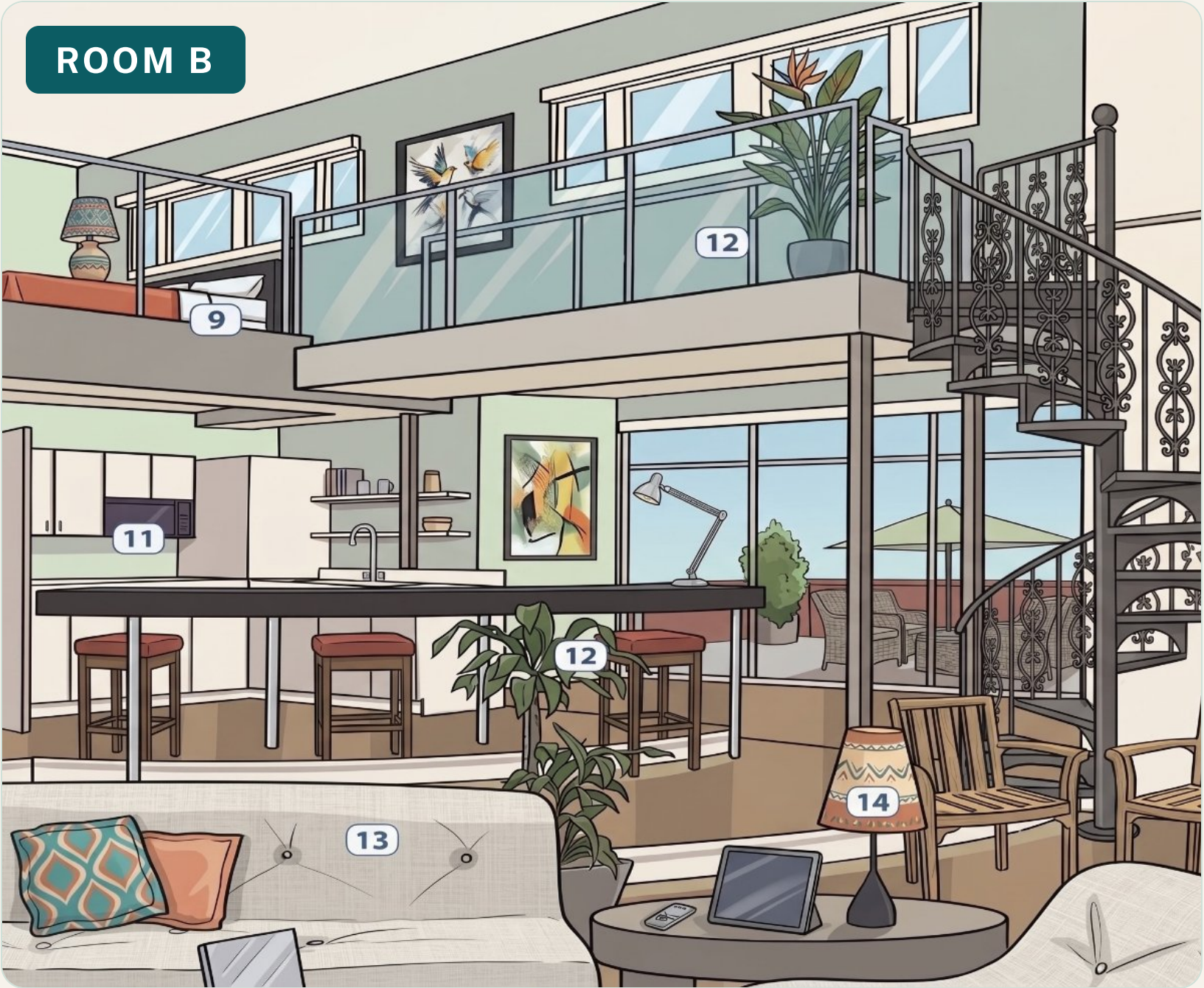
To Have and Have Not

Talk about things you have — Grammar: have got.

5.2

Which Room Do You Prefer? Why?

Look at the two rooms. Which do you prefer, and why?



Match the Objects — Room A

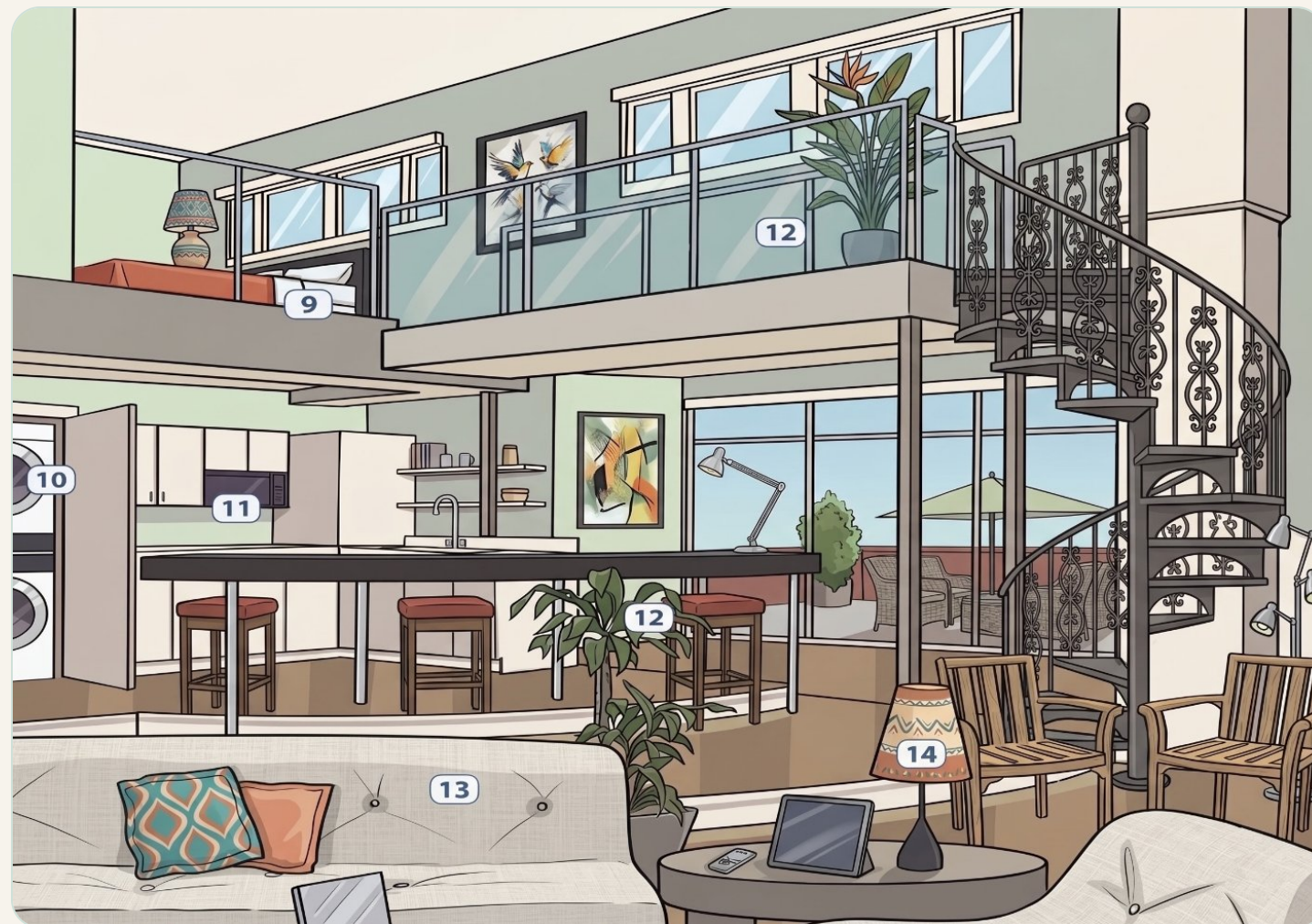
Find these objects in the picture.



- bed
- chair
- coffee table
- cooker
- cupboard
- dining table
- dishwasher
- fridge
- lamp
- microwave
- plant
- sofa
- TV
- washing machine

Match the Objects — Room B

Find these objects in the picture.



bed

chair

coffee table

cooker

cupboard

dining table

dishwasher

fridge

lamp

microwave

plant

sofa

TV

washing machine

Complete the Word Maps

Use the words below: chair · coffee table · cooker · cupboard · dining table · dishwasher · fridge · lamp · microwave · plant · sofa · TV · washing machine · bed.

EQUIPMENT

fridge

+ add more...

FURNITURE

dining table

+ add more...

PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

mobile phone

+ add more...

Pete's Insurance Call (1)

AGENT

Allied Insurance. Can I help you?

PETE

Yes. I need some home insurance.

AGENT

OK. What's your full name? And are you married?

PETE

It's Peter Morgan. Yes — but we haven't got any children.

AGENT

Have you got your own house?

PETE

No, I haven't. I've got a modern studio apartment in the centre of town, but it's rented.

AGENT

Has it got a garden?

PETE

No, it hasn't got a garden, but it's got a small terrace. There's a kitchen area with a fridge and a microwave — but I haven't got a cooker.

HAVE GOT Use have / has got for possessions — and is there / are there for the rooms.

Pete's Insurance Call (2)

AGENT

What about furniture?

PETE

We've got a coffee table — it's valuable because it's very old. And two wooden chairs, and a sofa.

AGENT

No dining table?

PETE

No, we always eat on the sofa!

AGENT

Now, electrical equipment. Is there a TV?

PETE

Yes, of course — and we've got a music system. I've also got a laptop computer and a mobile phone.

THINK

Is Pete's apartment Room A or Room B?

What Has Pete Got?

Tick (✓) the things Pete has got, and cross (X) the things he hasn't got.

- | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| ☐ chairs | ☐ coffee table | ☐ cooker | ☐ dining table |
| ☐ fridge | ☐ garden | ☐ house | ☐ laptop computer |
| ☐ microwave | ☐ mobile phone | ☐ music system | ☐ sink |
| ☐ sofa | ☐ studio apartment | ☐ terrace | ☐ TV |

Your Valuable Possessions

Think of five important or valuable possessions. Make a list, then describe them. E.G. “My wedding ring, because it’s made of gold...”

1

2

3

4

5

Have Got — Complete the Gaps

AGENT

Have you got your own house?

PETE

No, I _____. I _____ got a modern studio apartment in the centre of town, but it's rented.

AGENT

_____ it got a garden?

PETE

No, it _____ got a garden, but it _____ got a small terrace.

FILL Complete with have / haven't / has / hasn't / 's / 've.

Have Got — Complete the Table

Complete the active grammar table.

	I / WE / YOU / THEY	HE / SHE / IT
+	_____ got ('ve got)	's got
—	_____ got (haven't got)	_____ got (hasn't got)
?	_____ ... got ... ? (Have ... ?)	_____ ... got ... ? (Has ... ?)
✓	Yes, ... have. · No, ... _____ .	Yes, ... has. · No, ... hasn't.

Correct the Sentences about Pete

E.G. He's got three children. ✗ → He hasn't got any children.

1 He's got a house.

2 He's got an apartment in the centre of town.

3 He's got a kitchen.

4 He's got a laptop computer.

5 He hasn't got any chairs.

6 He's got a garden.

Make Questions & Short Answers

E.G. you / a sister? → “Have you got a sister?” — “No, I haven’t.”

1 you / an
apartment?

2 your home / a
garden?

3 your home /
an attic?

4 you / a
dishwasher?

5 you / a big sofa?

6 your home / a
garage?

7 you / a pet?

8 you / a bicycle?

PRONUNCIATION

/æ/ and /ɒ/

Listen to the underlined sounds. Which sound is different? Then underline the word you hear.

hot

/ɒ/

hat

on

/ɒ/

an

top

/ɒ/

tap

pocket

/ɒ/

packet

PRACTISE He's got a laptop, a cat and a watch.

Sound–Spelling Correspondences

SOUND	SPELLING	EXAMPLES
/æ/	a	can · man · pasta · land
/ɑː/	a · ar · al · au · ea	can't · scarf · half · aunt · heart
/ʌ/	u · o · ou	fun · some · mother · cousin · young
/ɒ/	o · a	hot · pocket · top · watch · want

Compare Homes & Possessions

A Speak

Find things the teacher has got but you haven't — and things you've got but the teacher hasn't. "Have you got a sister?"
"No, but I've got two brothers."

B Write

Write a paragraph about your teacher's home, possessions and family. e.g.
"Mariela lives in a house with a garden. She's got two sisters... but she hasn't got a dishwasher."

5.3 · LISTENING & READING

World Class

Describe where you live — Grammar: modifiers (very, quite, really).

5.3

Match the Places with the Photos

There are two extra words. Which countries do you think are in the photos?

mountains

desert

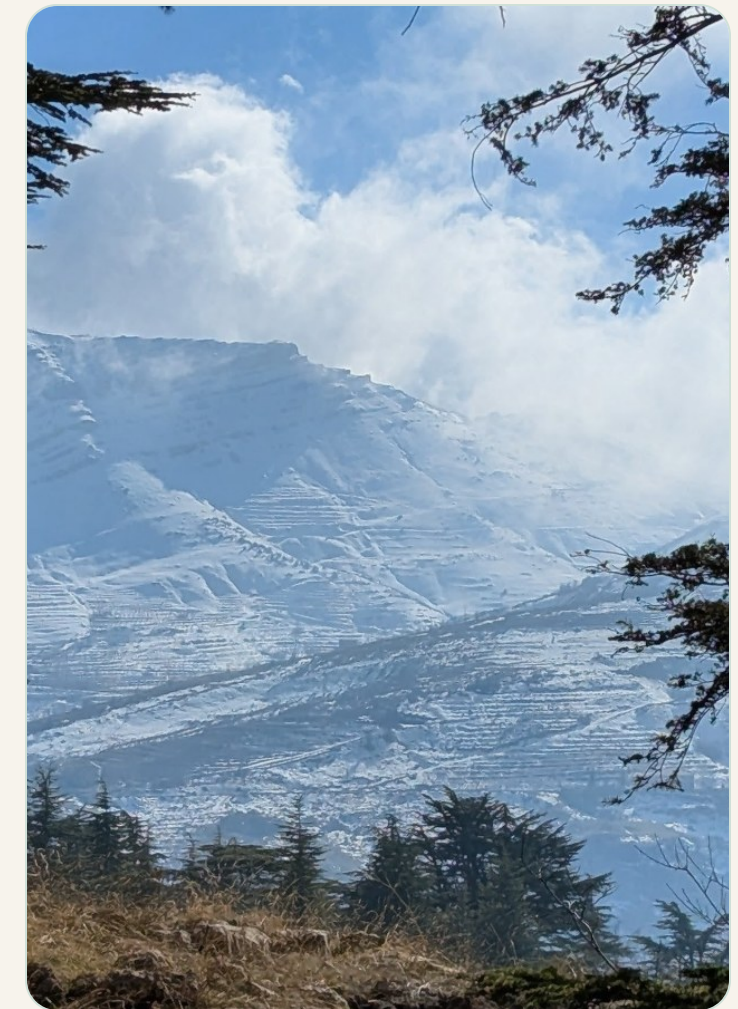
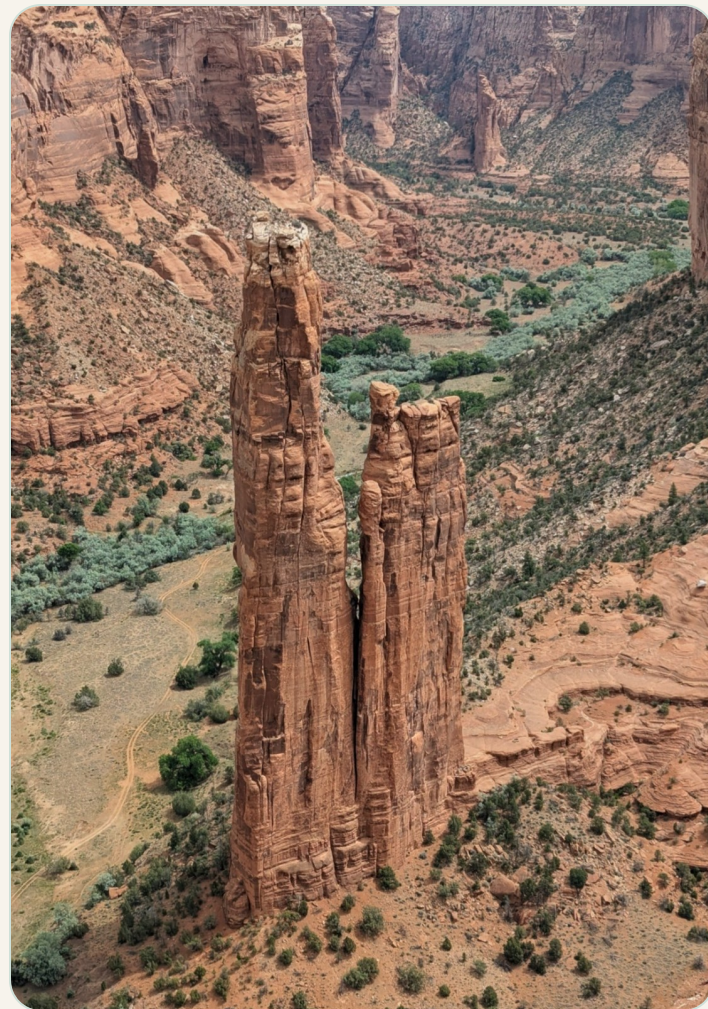
forest

hills

city

lake

river



Two Countries — Same or Different?

Argentina

Valentina, Buenos Aires

Argentina is not only a hot country; there are some **very** cold parts, too. Because the south is near Antarctica it's often very cold, especially in the mountains. There are very high mountains all over — the Andes. In the south they meet the sea, and are **really** lovely.

Ireland

Jane, County Kerry

Ireland is a beautiful country — **very** green and fresh. Unfortunately, that's because it's also a very wet country. Ireland has a lot of pretty, low hills; they're **certainly** not mountains! In the west the hills come down to the beach, so you can sunbathe and look at them at once.

Read the Email

TO Fran **SUBJECT** Australia

Hi Fran,

Thanks for your email. I'm so glad you want to come to Australia. It's a very interesting country, and there's a lot to see.

I come from Sydney, but I live in Perth now. Perth is in the west and it's a big city, with a lot of shops and lovely squares. The Great Barrier Reef is in the north — some very nice beaches there. There are deserts in the centre, long wide rivers in the east, and mountains in the south.

Australia is very good for holidays. See you here later this year!

Lots of love, Monica

THE PARTS

- a** a greeting
- b** says thank you
- c** a future plan
- d** a sign-off
- e** the writer's name

Answer the Questions about the Email

E.G. Are there mountains in Australia? — Yes, there are. They're in the south.

1 What is there in the north of Australia?

2 Where are the deserts in Australia?

3 Is there a big city in the west?

4 Where are the famous beaches?

The Parts of an Informal Email

Complete using: a greeting · says thank you · a future plan · a sign-off · the writer's name.

1 An informal email begins with a _____, often Hi + name or Dear + name.

2 In the opening we often _____ for an email, phone call, etc.

3 Near the end we talk about _____ (e.g. See you later this year).

4 The _____ is usually Lots of love or See you soon.

5 The email usually ends with _____.

HOW TO...

Join Sentences: and, but, or

AND

Adds and combines information.

“We come from Texas and we live in New York.”

BUT

Gives different / contrasting information.

“There’s a good film on, but John doesn’t want to see it.”

OR

Gives another choice.

“We can eat at home or we can go to the café.”

HOW TO...

Complete with and, but or or

1 We come from Texas ____ we live in New York.

2 There's a concert hall in the town ____ there's a theatre, too.

3 We can eat at home ____ we can go to the café.

4 There's a good film on this week, ____ John doesn't want to see it.

5 Would you like to go to the beach ____ visit a national park today?

WRITING

Write an Informal Email

A friend wants to visit you in the summer. Write an email to your friend.

1 Make Notes

Make a few notes about your country to tell him / her.

2 Plan It

Think about the beginning and the ending of the email.

3 Write It

Write the email. Use and, but and or to join your sentences.

WELL DONE!

You can talk about your home, say what you have, and describe where you live.

there is / there are

have got

modifiers