

What about the house keys?

LEARNING OUTCOME

learn how to discuss new accommodation

Everyday life

1 Look at the photo and answer the questions.

Where are the people and what are they doing?

Is your room a good place for studying?



Everyday vocabulary

2 Match the words (1-8) to the words (a-h) to make compound nouns.

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| 1 coat | a transport |
| 2 Internet | b table |
| 3 public | c keys |
| 4 house | d connection |
| 5 bedside | e stop |
| 6 bus | f control |
| 7 TV | g hanger |
| 8 bedside | h lamp |

3 Look at the list in 2 again and answer the questions.

- Which items are inside a house?
- Which items are outside a house?
- Which are the most important for you?

Dialogue

4 04 Listen to the dialogue. What is the most important thing for Laura about the accommodation?

Laura is doing a student exchange. She is staying with a host family. Mrs Cole is showing her her room in the house.

Mrs Cole: This is your room, Laura. It's quite small but there is space on top of the wardrobe for your bags. There's a TV and a table.

Laura: (1)

Mrs Cole: In the wardrobe! (2)
If you need more hangers, just ask.

Laura: OK. Is there any more space for my things?

Mrs Cole: The bedside table has got three drawers. There's some space under the bed, too.

Laura: Perfect.

Mrs Cole: You switch on the TV with this control and there is a bedside lamp if you want to read at night. Do you have any more questions?

Laura: (3)

Mrs Cole: Good question. I'm here most of the time but you can have your own house keys.
(4)

Laura: Thanks. What about public transport?

Mrs Cole: There is a bus stop about two minutes walk up the main road. (5)

Laura: Excellent. And finally, Mrs Cole, the most important thing. (6)

Mrs Cole: Of course!

5 Read and complete the dialogue with the phrases (a-f). Then listen again and check.

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| a Bus number 7 takes you to the centre. | d Is there always someone at home? |
| b Have you got an Internet connection? | e Where do I put my clothes? |
| c Here they are! | f There are some coat hangers inside. |

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Look at the expressions from the dialogue.

Who says each one: Laura or Mrs Cole?

Where do I put my clothes?

Is there any more space for my things?

Do you have any more questions?

What about public transport?

Have you got an Internet connection?

There's some space under the bed, too.

There is a bus stop about two minutes walk up the main road.

6 Read the dialogue again and find examples of the following:

- four places where Laura can put things
- five expressions for responding to information

Over to you!

6 Work in pairs. One of you is a member of the host family, and the other is the exchange student. Follow the steps below and role-play a conversation. Then change roles. Use the expressions in the Everyday English Toolkit and the language in 6.

Host: First, describe the room of the exchange student. *This is your room ...*

Then, answer the exchange student's questions about the accommodation.

Exchange student: Listen to the host describe your room. Then, ask them questions about your room, the keys, the Internet connection, the public transport and anything else you want to know.