

Sorry, no pets

LEARNING OUTCOME

learn how to write an advertisement offering and looking for a flat share

Everyday life

- 1 Look at the photo and answer the questions.**

Where are the people and what are they doing?

How can you find accommodation to rent?



Everyday vocabulary

- 2 Look at the features and facilities that are important when choosing rented accommodation (1–10). Explain what the words and expressions mean.**

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|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 double room | 6 share of bills |
| 2 deposit required | 7 walking distance from the centre |
| 3 bills included | 8 close to local transport links |
| 4 in an ideal position | 9 unfurnished |
| 5 close to all amenities | 10 recently renovated |

- 3 Work in pairs. Think of other things that are important when choosing rented accommodation and add them to the list in 2.**

- 4 Work in pairs. Decide which five features of rented accommodation are most important for you.**

Dialogue

- 5** **06 Michel is from France. He's looking online for accommodation in Brighton, where he's going to be studying during the summer. He asks his friend Emma to help him. Listen to the dialogue. Which flat does Michel decide to rent?**

- 6 Listen again and complete the sentences with the correct words. Then listen again and check.**

- 1 Quiet, friendly house near the station. Available 30th June. Sorry, no pets.'
- 2 August only. Non-smoker. £125 a week, plus bills.
- 3 Must like animals.
- 4 It isn't in Brighton.
- 5 10 minutes from uni. Fully furnished. £600 pcm.
- 6 Non-smoker.

EVERYDAY ENGLISH TOOLKIT: WRITING AN ADVERTISEMENT OFFERING AND LOOKING FOR A FLATSHARE

Look at the phrases from the dialogue. Write the phrases in the correct place (1–7) below.

all bills included • deposit required • easy-going professional
en-suite shower room • large, double room
10 mins' walking distance from the seafront • £600 pcm

Features of the room/accommodation

fully furnished

unfurnished

(1)

(2)

Local features

in an ideal position

close to all amenities

close to local transport links

(3)

What is offered/included

use of all facilities

long or short term rental available

(4)

What is required

strictly non-smokers only

share of bills

sorry, no pets

(5)

(6)

(7)

Over to you!

- 7 You are going to write an ad offering your own room to rent, or imagine a room to rent. Follow the steps below. Use the expressions in the Everyday English Toolkit and the vocabulary in 2.**

Step 1: Think about the features of your room and home and the local features.

Step 2: Think about what you can offer and include in the rent.

Step 3: Think about the kind of tenant and arrangement you require.

Step 4: Write an ad for the room.

Step 5: Post your ads on the classroom wall and read your classmates' ads. Choose a room to rent for yourself!