

**1 USEFUL LANGUAGE**

## Imagining how things could be

a Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- plates / could / and / have / we / things here .  
We could have plates and things here.
- for / could / kids to / the / play / a place / be / this .  
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- table / this / great / a / bedside / make / would .  
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- can / barbecue / I / imagine / a / having / here .  
\_\_\_\_\_
- there / shelves / books / be / some / for / could .  
\_\_\_\_\_
- I / enough / can't / big / imagine / being / room / this .  
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- have / done / we / professional / could / it / a / by .  
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- next / would / in / room / have to / that lamp / go / the .  
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**2 CONVERSATION SKILLS**

## Using vague language

a Put the words in brackets in the correct place in each sentence.

- This could be a playroom for the twins. (kind of)  
This could be a kind of playroom for the twins.
- We could put our shoes in this box. (and things)  
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- I can imagine this as a computer table. (or something)  
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- This is where all the toys, games go. (and things like that)  
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- I guess it could be a notice board. (sort of)  
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- The small room would make a spare bedroom.  
(or something like that)  
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- There's lots of junk here, old newspapers, broken toys.  
(and so on)  
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- Put a book under the table so it doesn't fall over.  
(or something)  
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**3 PRONUNCIATION**

## Stress in compound nouns

a 75 Listen to the sentences. Underline the stressed words in the compound nouns in **bold**.

- Local residents are getting worried about the **crime rate**.
- There's a new **shopping centre** just out of town.
- There's a huge **black economy** to add to the official statistics.
- Everyone should know the threat of **global warming** by now.
- The **police force** are working closely with the local community.
- We put a **solar panel** on the roof to cut energy costs.
- Disneyland is probably the best-known **theme park**.
- You can never find a **parking space** when you need one.
- Pour it down the **kitchen sink** if you don't want it.
- More could be done to help the **Third World** and build a better educational system.

