

29 Possessions

A Family possessions



One of my favourite **possessions** is a **diary**¹ that **belonged** to my aunt.



A **recording**⁵ of my grandmother's **voice**. She was quite a famous singer. It has very happy **memories** for me.



My grandfather's old **camera**². I've also got some of his old **tools**³. I had his **gun**, but I haven't got it **any more** – I gave it to a museum.



A book of my mother's **recipes**⁴. I use it a lot.

GLOSSARY

possessions	the things that you have or own
belong to sb	That book belongs to me. = It is my book.
gun	a weapon that shoots out pieces of metal to kill or hurt people or animals
(not) any more	used at the end of negative sentences and questions to mean 'now'
recording	sounds on CD, video or film
voice	the sounds that you make when you speak or sing
memory	sth that you remember

- 1 These words all have the same weak sound in them, as in *important*, *remember* and *comfortable*. Underline the sound in these words. Use the **APP** to help you. Practise saying the words.

▶ family 1 recipe 2 memory 3 diary 4 camera 5 possession

- 2 Write the name of the possession that matches the definition.

- ▶ You use this when you do a special job with your hands. a tool
- You take photos with this. _____
 - You read these when you're cooking. _____
 - things that belong to you _____
 - This can kill people or animals. _____
 - You use this when you're singing or talking. _____
 - You write what you're going to do in this. _____
 - sounds on a computer file, CD, etc. _____
 - something that you remember _____

- 3 Complete the dialogues.

- ▶ Do you know the date of the party? ~ Yes, I wrote it in my diary.
- Do you still sing? ~ I did a few years ago, but I don't _____.
 - How are you going to cut that wood? ~ I have a special _____ for it.
 - How did you make that pasta dish? ~ I used a _____ from my Italian cookbook.
 - Have you still got that photo of grandfather? ~ Yes, it brings back happy _____.
 - That man looks very dangerous. ~ Yes! He's got a _____!
 - I can't hear what she's saying. ~ No, she's got a very quiet _____.
 - Whose car is that? ~ It _____ to my brother.
 - You love that old diary of grandmother's. ~ I do. It's one of my favourite _____.

- 4 **ABOUT YOU** Write your answers, or ask another student.

- Have you got any important family possessions? If so, what are they? _____
- Have you got happy memories of school? What did you like? _____
- Do you use a camera, or do you use the camera on your phone? Why? _____
- Have you got a recording of a family member's voice? If so, who and why? _____

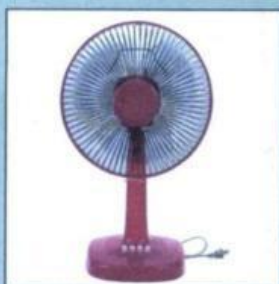


TEST YOURSELF

B Describing possessions



fan



electric fan



phone (ALSO telephone)



phone / mobile (phone)

A fan is an **unusual** shape and is used to make you cooler. It's made of **wood** and **material** or paper. There are also **electric fans**.

A **mobile phone** is a **device** made of **metal** and **plastic**. Modern phones are **flat** and thin. It has a lot of different **purposes** – a phone, an **alarm clock**, a **digital camera**, or a device for playing games.

GLOSSARY

unusual	If sth is unusual , you do not see it often or it does not happen often.
shape	A circle ○ and a square □ are two different shapes .
wood	Wood comes from trees.
material	cloth you use for making clothes, curtains, etc.
device	a piece of equipment you use for doing a special job
metal	Gold, silver and iron are types of metal .

plastic	an artificial substance that is used for making many different things, e.g. plastic flowers , plastic cups
flat	thin and wide and with no parts higher than the rest
purpose	the reason for doing sth
alarm clock	a clock that makes a noise to wake you up
digital	this is a digital clock —  ALSO digital camera/TV

5 True or false? Write T or F.

- ▶ Chairs are often made of wood. T
- 1 Clothes are often made of plastic.
- 2 Trousers are made of material.
- 3 A digital television is flat.
- 4 An alarm clock is often made of material.
- 5 A circle and a square are different shapes.

- 6 The purpose tells you why you are doing something.
- 7 If something is unusual, it's normal.
- 8 An electric fan is useful if it's very cold.
- 9 Mobile phones and digital cameras are devices.

6 One word is missing in each sentence. What is it, and where does it go?

- ▶ The / of that big electric fan is to make the room cooler. purpose
- 1 I use my mobile as an clock in the mornings.
- 2 My desk is made of and is very old.
- 3 What is the table? ~ I think it's round.
- 4 He's got a very alarm clock – it's made of wood.
- 5 The garden chairs are made of white and they're very hard.
- 6 A computer is made of and plastic.
- 7 What do you call the that turns the TV on and off?

7 ABOUT YOU Write your answers, or ask another student.

- 1 What shape is the table in your living room / dining room?
- 2 Do you use the alarm clock on your mobile phone?
- 3 What can you see in front of you that is made of wood? Plastic? Metal?
- 4 Have you got a digital TV?
- 5 Do you ever use a fan or an electric fan?



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