

Lesson 1D

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GRAMMAR

modifiers

1 A Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- My life is boring these days.
a quite a b fairly c a lot of
- I'd love to have free time during the week.
a a lot more b relatively c quite a
- We're all busy at the moment.
a quite b quite a c quite a lot
- I live in a cheap flat close to here.
a bit more b quite a c relatively
- Alex is happy person most of the time.
a quite an b quite c quite a
- I'd like to spend more time outdoors, but not much more.
a a lot of b a bit c a lot less

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

- a / got / family / I've / big / quite
- time / my friends / spend / I / less / now / lot / a / with
- I'd / relaxed / bit / like / a / to / be / more
- alternative / quite / We / an / lifestyle / have
- lot / to do / I / these days / more / have / a / work
- with / want / a house / more / lot / We / space / a

C Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box.

a bit more a lot less pretty good quite
quite a quite an

- Being a journalist can be difficult job.
- I'd like to spend time doing boring housework. I hate it!
- Ahmed is interesting person.
- I think we need to think about this before we make a decision.
- This food you've made is
- The final level of this game is hard.



LISTENING

2 Listen to the recording. Choose the words in the text that are different from what you hear.

A 'tiny house' is the name for a very small home that is becoming popular these days. These homes are probably not much bigger than one room in your home, but they usually include a dining room, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom. One reason that people choose to live in such homes is because they're cheap to rent. Often, they're on wheels, so you can move them from one place to another easily. This means that you can easily put them next to a house, or at the end of a garden if you don't own any land.



3 A Listen to a podcast about living in a tiny house. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence.

The owner's experience is mostly **positive** / **negative**.

B Listen again and choose the correct options.

- Why did Adele buy a tiny home?
a to live an easy life
b to stop working long hours
c to own her own home
- What has surprised Adele about living in a tiny home?
a the number of things she owns
b the cheap cost of energy
c the amount of space in the rooms
- What does Adele say about building her home?
a A company built her home.
b She was unhappy with the home at first.
c Adele built the home herself.
- What does Adele say is the best thing about her tiny house?
a She has a fantastic bathroom.
b It's easy to keep nice and tidy.
c Living there is very comfortable.
- What does Adele not like about her home?
a She needs more space for her things.
b She would like a bigger garden.
c She worries that she'll have to move.
- What happens when Adele wants time away from her partner?
a She goes into the bathroom.
b She spends time outside.
c She goes to a friend's house.