

Big cities, tiny homes

- 11 Read about some of the world's smallest apartments. Write the superlative of the adjective in brackets.

The world's smallest apartments



New York, Paris, and London are famous for having some of the world's ¹ most expensive (*expensive*) homes. However, the world's ² _____ (*large*) and ³ _____ (*rich*) cities also have some of the ⁴ _____ (*small*) apartments in the world.

New York has some of the ⁵ _____ (*luxurious*) apartments in the world. One of the largest is a 767 m² penthouse apartment. It's got one of the ⁶ _____ (*good*) views of Central Park in the city.

Only one block away is one of New York's smallest apartments. It's only 8.4 m², and is home to Felice Cohen. She likes her apartment because she pays the ⁷ _____ (*low*) rent for one of the ⁸ _____ (*nice*) locations in the city. Felice says she gets the 'full New York City experience for only \$700 a month', and she's near Central Park, the gym, and subways. She hasn't got a kitchen, but there is a fridge and a small oven. She says the bathroom is 'pretty big', and she's got space to do yoga!



Paris is one of the ⁹ _____ (*beautiful*) and romantic cities in the world because of its lovely old buildings. It also has one of the world's smallest apartments – but small can also be beautiful. At 8 m² it is 'petite', but pretty. It's also got one of the ¹⁰ _____ (*spectacular*) views in the city, overlooking the rooftops of Paris.

One of London's ¹¹ _____ (*tiny*) apartments was once a cupboard, and is only 5.6 m². It's got a tiny kitchen, a sofa bed and a shower that is also a wardrobe. It's small, but it isn't cheap. It is worth about £250,000. That's £44,600 a square metre – and there's no window!

- 12 Complete the questions about the apartments with the correct question words.

- 'Where' are some of the most expensive apartments in the world?
'In New York, Paris, and London.'
- _____ lives in one of New York's smallest apartments?
'Felice Cohen.'
- '_____ square metres is her apartment?'
'8.4 m²'
- '_____ does the apartment in Paris overlook?'
'The rooftops.'
- '_____ is the London apartment worth?'
'£250,000.'
- '_____ hasn't the London apartment got a nice view?'
'Because it hasn't got a window!'

9.2 Listen and check.

- 13 Complete the sentences with *has got*, *hasn't got*, *have got*, or *haven't got*.

- New York, Paris, and London _____ some of the world's most expensive apartments.
- The penthouse in New York _____ an amazing view of Central Park.
- Felice _____ a kitchen.
- The three apartments in the text _____ much space.