

# Language in Practice

SERENDIPITY

ENGLISH, THE MOST FORTUNATE  
DISCOVERY

OPPORTUNITIES  
English!

a Complete the dialogue with the correct form of **there is/ there are** and, if necessary, **a, some, or any**.

A Hello. I'm interested in the flat to rent.

B Oh, OK Let me tell you about it. .... a large living room and ..... small kitchen.

A ..... table in the kitchen?

B No, ..... But ..... very nice dining room with a table and some chairs.

A That's fine. What about the bedrooms? How many bedrooms ..... ?

B ..... three bedrooms and a bathroom.

A ..... shower in the bathroom?

B Yes, .....

A Good. .... bookshelves in the living room?

B No, I'm sorry. But ..... cupboards.

A That's OK. I think it's perfect for us. How much is it?

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b Write the sentences in the plural using **some** or **any**.

1 There's an armchair in the living room.

There are some armchairs in the living room.

2 Is there a carpet downstairs?

.....?

3 There's a CD on the shelf.

.....

4 Is there a glass in the cupboard?

.....?

5 There isn't a file in the study.

.....

c Choose the correct form.

**It's** | **There's** a nice flat and **it isn't** | **there isn't** very expensive.

**There are** | **They are** two rooms but **there aren't** | **they aren't** very big. **There's** | **It is** a small kitchen and a bathroom.

**There isn't** | **It isn't** a bath in the bathroom, but **it's** | **there's** a new shower. The flat is on the 10th floor, so **there's** | **it is** a fantastic view of the city. And **there's** | **it's** a very large balcony with a lot of flowers.

**They are** | **There are** beautiful in the summer!



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d Write the room.

1 You usually take off your coat in the hall.

2 You usually have a shower in the b.....

3 You usually have dinner in the d..... r.....

4 You usually use a computer in the st.....

5 You usually park your car in the g.....

6 You usually make lunch in the k.....

7 You usually watch television in the l..... r.....

8 You usually sleep in the b.....

9 You usually sit outside in the g.....

e Choose the word with a different sound.

 chair	1 they're    there    dear
 ear	2 beer    stairs    near
 chair	3 where    wear    we're
 ear	4 here    hair    hear

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f Choose the stressed syllable.

1 car | pet

2 mi | rror

3 cu | pboard

4 bal | co | ny

5 coo | ker

6 so | fa

7 arm | chair

8 ga | rage

9 cei | ling

g Listen to Mrs Goodings showing her house to Bradley and Joanna, a couple who are interested in renting it. Tick ✓ the **three** rooms Mrs Goodings shows them.

1 bathroom ☐

2 bedroom ☐

3 dining room ☐

4 garage ☐

5 hall ☐

6 kitchen ☐

7 living room ☐

8 study ☐

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h Listen again and write T (true) or F (false).

1 Mrs Goodings always eats in the kitchen. ☐

2 Joanna doesn't like the kitchen. ☐

3 There isn't a washing machine in the kitchen. ☐

4 There's a hole in the ceiling of the kitchen. ☐

5 Joanna likes the windows in the living room. ☐

6 There isn't a TV in the living room. ☐

7 There are three bedrooms upstairs. ☐

8 Bradley forgets about the hole in the bathroom ceiling. ☐

## USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

- ☐ advertisement
- ☐ barman
- ☐ dishwasher
- ☐ lovely
- ☐ rent
- ☐ a bottle of champagne
- ☐ a long time ago
- ☐ (local) pub
- ☐ Wow!
- ☐ How horrible!