



Accommodation in the US and UK

Did you know?

There are some differences between British English and American English when we talk about accommodation. These are:

British English	American English
Ground floor	_____
First floor	_____
Garden	_____
Terraced house	_____
Detached house	_____
Flat	_____
Bungalow	_____
Caravan	_____
_____	living room

In Cambridge exams like the FCE and the CAE, American English is acceptable, provided you use it consistently.

Idioms or Expressions with 'Accommodation'

Look at the following sentences and decide whether the explanations which follow them are **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

1. The hotel is a real **home from home**.

The hotel is not very comfortable. TRUE / FALSE

2. He lay down on the sofa, opened a bottle of beer and **made himself at home**.

He behaved differently from the way he did in his own house. TRUE / FALSE

3. His new job is **nothing to write home about**.

His new job is not very exciting or special. TRUE / FALSE

4. The pub serves **homely** food.

The food in the pub is not very good. TRUE / FALSE

5. I had to tell her a few **home truths**.

I had to tell her some unpleasant facts about her. TRUE / FALSE

6. Cheer up, we're in the **home straight** now!

We've been working on a long project and have almost finished it. TRUE / FALSE

7. James lives in **cardboard** city.

James lives in a very comfortable house. TRUE / FALSE

8. The staff in the hotel were very **accommodating**.

The staff in the hotel were very helpful. TRUE / FALSE

9. Caron is my **flat-mate**.

Caron lives in the flat next door to mine. TRUE / FALSE

10. It's been a long, hard project, but we're almost **home and dry**.

The project is almost successfully finished. TRUE / FALSE

11. We need to **drive the hammer home** as soon as possible.

We need to start working as soon as possible. TRUE / FALSE

12. I took a job working as **a home help**.

I took a job helping people to move from one home to another. TRUE / FALSE

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