

1) Read a bit about the author of the song and answer the questions:

Jonathan William Coulton (born December 1, 1970), often called "JoCo" by fans, is an American folk/comedy singer-songwriter. In the past Jonathan worked as a computer programmer for Cluen, a New York City software company. He likes writing lyrics about science fiction and technology (For example, his famous song "[Code Monkey](#)"). He can play not only the guitar, bass, and drums but also some other instruments: accordion, harmonica, mandolin, banjo, ukulele, zendrum and glockenspiel. He released the song IKEA in November, 2003. There are fifty-two IKEA stores in the United States now (November 04, 2021)

1) Is Jonathan fifty-one years old? Yes No

2) Does Jonathan's call himself JoCo? Yes No

3) Does he work for a software company? Yes No

2) Look at the words that mean materials in the song. Connect the pictures and the names of the materials. Use a dictionary if you need. Oak Pine Steel Birch Plywood











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3) Look at some words from the song and connect them to the definitions

fold (verb) divorced apartment bucks furniture rent (verb)

Objects in the house: tables, chairs and beds _____

a set of rooms for living in that includes a kitchen and a bathroom (British English: flat) _____

to pay money for the use of a room, house, car, etc. _____

If a piece of furniture _____s, you can make it smaller or move it to a different position (because you can bend it)

Now not married to your ex-wife or ex-husband _____

(Informal) US, Canadian, or Australian dollars _____

4) Now listen to Jonathan's song IKEA and
put a tick (✓) if the word is correct
or put a cross (X) if the word is not correct

5) Then listen to Jonathan's song IKEA again and write
"no" in the boxes near the ticks (✓) and correct
words where you have a cross (X)

Song

Examples: 0 and 1

0) **Long ago** in 1) **months** of yore

0) ☒ no

1) ☒ days

It all 2) **began** with a god named Thor

2) ☒ ☒

There were Vikings and boats

And some plans for a **furniture** 3) **shop**

3) ☒ ☒

It's not a bodega, it's not 4) **a shopping center**

4) ☒ ☒

And they sell things for **apartments** smaller than 5) **mine** 5) ☒ ☒

As if there were apartments smaller than 5) **mine**

IKEA Just some **oak** and some **pine** and a handful of Norsemen

IKEA Selling 6) **chairs** for college kids and **divorced** men 6) ☒ ☒

Everyone has a home

But if you don't have a home you can 7) **sell** one there 7) ☒ ☒

So **rent** a car or take 8) **the bus**

8) ☒ ☒

Lay your 9) **cards** down and put your trust

9) ☒ ☒

In the land where the furniture **folds** to a much smaller size

Billy the 10) **wardrobe** says hello

10) ☒ ☒

And so does a 11) **table** whose name is Ingo 11) ☒ ☒

And the 12) **armchair** is a ladder-back **birch** but his friends call him Karl

12) ☒ ☒

IKEA Just some oak and some pine and a handful of Norsemen

IKEA Selling 13) **chairs** for college kids and divorced men

13) ✓ X _____

Everyone has a home

But if you don't have a home you can 14) **sell** one there 14) ✓ X _____

IKEA **Plywood**, brushed **steel**

IKEA Meatballs, tasty

IKEA Allen wrenches

All of 15) **they** for free

All of 15) **they** for me 15) ✓ X _____

I'm sorry I said IKEA sucks

I just bought a table for 16) **70 bucks** 16) ✓ X _____

And a chair and 17) **a lamp** 17) ✓ X _____

And 18) **a sink** and some candles for you 18) ✓ X _____

I was a doubter just like you

'Til I saw the 19) **American** dream come true 19) ✓ X _____

In New Jersey, they got a god-damned Swedish parade

IKEA Just some oak and some pine and a handful of Norsemen

IKEA Selling 20) **chairs** for college kids and divorced men

20) ✓ X _____

Everyone has a home

But if you don't have a home you can 21) **sell** one there 21) ✓ X _____