Listening Practice:

Listen and complete the missing words.

Interviewer Do you have a _____ with noisy neighbours, Rebecca?

Rebecca No, I don't, not at all. But sometimes my _____ have problems with me! I live in a block of small flats and the house _____ here are really strict.

Interviewer What kind of house rules do you have?

Rebecca Well, for example, during the _____ you can't make _____ between 12:30 and two o'clock because this is when young children are asleep and the same is true after ten o'clock at night. So, for example, after ten o'clock you can't _____ to loud music without headphones, or play a musical _____. I think it's because people in Switzerland get up early in the morning, so they go to bed very early.

Interviewer Can you _____ after ten o'clock?

Rebecca Yes, you can just not really loudly. So, I watch TV, but with the _____ low and the windows closed so that's not a problem. But the problem is I can't use my _____, because the water makes a noise, and my bathroom is next to my neighbour's _____.

Interviewer So you _____ have a shower or a bath?

Rebecca No, not after 10 o' clock. This isn't true in all flats in Switzerland, but in my flat it is. Maybe because the flats are _____.

Interviewer What about at the weekend?

Rebecca On _____, the rules are the same. No noise after 10 o'clock in the evening.

Interviewer What happens if you want to have a _____?

Rebecca You can have the party but the music can't be loud after ten.

Interviewer What happens if you make a lot of noise after ten?

Rebecca Well, the neighbours _____ and it it's really loud, they can call the _____.

Interview What about on Sunday?

Rebecca Sunday is a day of rest in Switzerland so you can't make any noise in your flat at all. For example, in my building you can't move _____, or put a picture on the wall, or turn on the washing _____.

Interviewer What do you think of these rules?

Rebecca Well, I like the rules that control noise during the week and on Sunday. I think it's a good idea. But I think they need to be a bit more flexible on Saturdays. I mean if a party is still a little loud after ten, I don't think you need to call the police.