

Student's name: _____

Course: First "___" BGU

Reading to write: A description of Jorge's house

Objective: to read an email that describes a house

How old is your house? It's _____ years old.

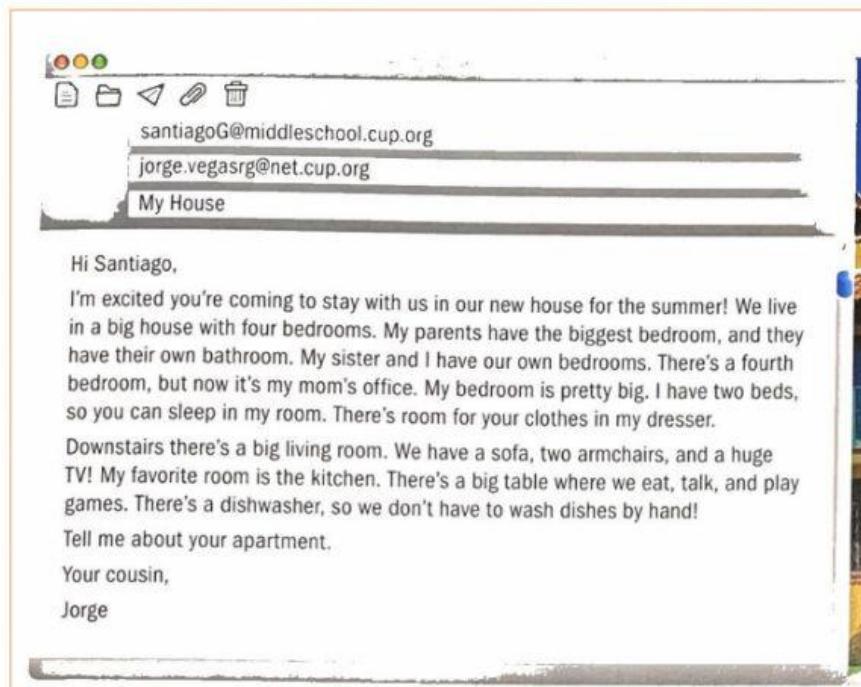
How many bedrooms does your house have? _____

What other rooms does it have? Kitchen, _____

What is your favorite room in your house? Why? _____ because it's _____

6.- Look at the photo of Jorge's house. How many bedrooms do you think it has?

Read the email to check.



Hi Santiago,

I'm excited you're coming to stay with us in our new house for the summer! We live in a big house with four bedrooms. My parents have the biggest bedroom, and they have their own bathroom. My sister and I have our own bedrooms. There's a fourth bedroom, but now it's my mom's office. My bedroom is pretty big. I have two beds, so you can sleep in my room. There's room for your clothes in my dresser.

Downstairs there's a big living room. We have a sofa, two armchairs, and a huge TV! My favorite room is the kitchen. There's a big table where we eat, talk, and play games. There's a dishwasher, so we don't have to wash dishes by hand!

Tell me about your apartment.

Your cousin,
Jorge



7.- Read Jorge's email again. What information does he include for each category from the Focus on Content box?

❖ Focus on CONTENT

When you write about your house, include:

- The size, age, and kind of house
- How many bedrooms it has
- What other rooms it has
- Your favorite room and why
- Some of the furniture or appliances there

Size, age, and kind of house:

How many bedrooms it has:

What other rooms it has:

Your favorite room and why:

Some of the furniture or appliances there:

8.- Find examples in Jorge's email of the comma rules in the Focus on Language box.

❖ Focus on LANGUAGE

Commas

Use commas to separate items in a list.

*I have a desk, two chairs, **and** a big bed in my bedroom.*

Use commas to join two complete sentences with conjunctions like **and, but, and so**.

*We usually cook in the oven, **but***

9.- Rewrite the sentences putting commas in the correct places. All the sentences need commas.

- 1) My bedroom is small but it's comfortable.
- 2) There are four chairs a big table and two lamps in our kitchen.
- 3) The dishwasher isn't working so I have to wash the dishes by hand.
- 4) I packed a hair dryer a toothbrush and shampoo in my suitcase.

- 1.- _____
- 2.- _____
- 3.- _____
- 4.- _____

Writing: An email about your house

○ PLAN

Use the categories in the Focus on Content box and take notes about your home.

Size, age, and kind	
Number of bedrooms	
Other rooms	
Favorite room/why	
Furniture/appliances	

○ **WRITE**

Write and email describing your house to a friend or someone in your family. Use your notes to help you. Write at least 80 words.

Q **CHECK**

Check your writing. Can you answer “yes” to these questions?

- Is information for each category of the Focus on Content box in your description?
- Do you use commas correctly?