

LISTENING SCRIPT

Exercise 3.

This is a large detached house in a quiet street close to the centre of the village. You can walk to schools and shops, and the train station is only one and a half kilometres away. Last year, there was some building work which made the study and the dining room bigger, and the owners made the attic into an extra bedroom, so the total area of the house is now about 150 square metres; before it was only 120 square metres.

The house has four bedrooms so it's a good size for a family with children. The largest bedroom has a private bathroom. One of the other bedrooms has a private shower room and the other two bedrooms have lots of cupboards. On the ground floor, apart from the hall, the study and the dining room, there's a lounge, and a very big kitchen. There isn't a large garden at the front of the house, but there's a very pleasant, large, sunny garden at the back of the house where you can have barbecues in the summer. You can get to the garden through glass doors from the lounge. There's no garage, but there's enough space to park two cars on the road at the front of the house.

The owners have spent a lot of money on the house over the years and kept it in very good condition, so they're hoping to sell it for about 350,000 euros. I agree, and I think this is a very good price ...

Exercise 9.

This is a photo of my family. As you can see, we're quite a big family. This is my dad. His name's John and next to him on the right is my mum. Her name is Sally. Behind them is my Auntie Jill. We're really close. We often do things together. She's great fun to be with. Next to Auntie Jill is my uncle, Tom. He's a teacher and very interesting to talk to. He knows a lot about football. At the back of the photo, on the left, are my grandparents. My grandma is 65 and my grandpa's over 70, but very fit and well. We often go for long walks together and they're both good tennis players. I've got two brothers and a sister. That's Fabian, Hamish and Rachel. They're sitting at the front with Alan. He's my cousin from America. He's a student at university in England this year. And look, at the back of the photo on the right is my best friend, Antonia, with her husband, James. She's really nice and very clever.

Exercise 10.

Samir: Hi, Amanda. Is now a good time to show me your photos from the summer or are you working?

Amanda: I'm working, but I'm happy to take a break for ten or fifteen minutes. Would you like a coffee?

Samir: Yes, a coffee would be great.

Amanda: OK. Let me show you the photos, then. This is a photo of me and my brothers and sisters. We're on the beach.

Samir: Wow, there are seven of you! You're a really big family.

Amanda: Yes, I've got three sisters and three brothers. My oldest sister is 32 and my two youngest

brothers are 8. No, sorry, they're 9 now.

Samir: Are they twins?

Amanda: Yes, that's right.

Samir: And how old is your other brother?

Amanda: He's the same age as me. James and I are twins as well! We're both 27 this year.

Samir: Really!

Amanda: This is a photo of my dad with his younger brother, my Uncle Tom. Uncle Tom's just got married and that's his new wife, Maria.

Samir: Is she English?

Amanda: No, she isn't. She's Spanish.

Samir: Yes, she looks Italian or Spanish with her black hair.

Amanda: This is another photo of my dad.

Samir: And who are the four children?

Amanda: They're my dad's four grandchildren.

Samir: Are they all boys?

Amanda: No, they aren't. He's got one grandson and three granddaughters.