

7C Everyday English

We could have a table here or something

1 USEFUL LANGUAGE

Imagining how things could be

a Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 plates / could / and / have / we / things here .

We could have plates and things here.

2 for / could / kids to / the / play / a place / be / this .

3 table / this / great / a / bedside / make / would .

4 can / barbecue / I / imagine / a / having / here .

5 there / shelves / books / be / some / for / could .

6 I / enough / can't / big / imagine / being / room / this .

7 have / done / we / professional / could / it / a / by .

8 next / would / in / room / have to / that lamp / go / the .



2 CONVERSATION SKILLS

Using vague language

a Put the words in brackets in the correct place in each sentence.

1 This could be a playroom for the twins. (kind of)
This could be a kind of playroom for the twins.

2 We could put our shoes in this box. (and things)

3 I can imagine this as a computer table. (or something)

4 This is where all the toys, games go. (and things like that)

5 I guess it could be a notice board. (sort of)

6 The small room would make a spare bedroom.
(or something like that)

7 There's lots of junk here, old newspapers, broken toys.
(and so on)

8 Put a book under the table so it doesn't fall over.
(or something)



3 PRONUNCIATION

Stress in compound nouns

a Listen to the sentences. Underline the stressed words in the compound nouns in **bold**.

1 Local residents are getting worried about the **crime rate**.

2 There's a new **shopping centre** just out of town.

3 There's a huge **black economy** to add to the official statistics.

4 Everyone should know the threat of **global warming** by now.

5 The **police force** are working closely with the local community.

6 We put a **solar panel** on the roof to cut energy costs.

7 Disneyland is probably the best-known **theme park**.

8 You can never find a **parking space** when you need one.

9 Pour it down the **kitchen sink** if you don't want it.

10 More could be done to help the **Third World** and build a better educational system.