

SKILLS 1

Reading

A ROOM AT THE CRAZY HOUSE HOTEL, DA LAT

1 Look at the text. Answer the questions.

1. Is it an email or a letter?
2. What is the text about?

New message

To: phong@webmail.com; mi@webmail.com

Subject: A room at the Crazy House Hotel

Hi Phong and Mi,
How are you? I'm in Da Lat with my parents. We're staying at the Crazy House Hotel. Wow! It really is crazy. There are ten rooms in the hotel. There's a Kangaroo Room, an Eagle Room, and even an Ant Room. I'm staying in the Tiger Room. It's called the Tiger Room because there's a big tiger on the wall.
The tiger is between the bathroom door and the window. The bed is next to the window, but the window is a strange shape. I put my bag under the bed. There's a lamp, a wardrobe and a desk. You should stay here when you visit Da Lat. It's great.
See you soon!
Nick



Reading skill: Predicting

Predicting makes reading easy.

Before reading, look at the pictures, design and title.

Decide what the text is about.

Think about what you know about the topic.

2 Read the text again and answer the questions.

1. Who is Nick in Da Lat with?
2. How many rooms are there in the hotel?
3. Why is the room called the Tiger Room?
4. Where is Nick's bag?

3 Circle the things in the Tiger Room.

a window	a wardrobe
a cooker	a cupboard
a shelf	a lamp
a desk	a tiger

Speaking

4 Create a new room for the hotel. Draw a plan for the room.

5 Show your plan to your partner and describe it.

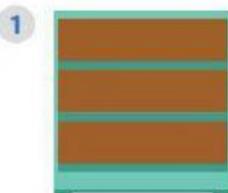
Example:

This is the Shark Room. There's a big shark at the door. There's a table and a sofa in the middle of the room ...

SKILLS 2

Listening

1 Look at the pictures. Name each of them. Guess if they are mentioned in the listening text.



Now listen and check your guesses.

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2 Listen to Mai talking about her house. Tick (✓) T (True) or F (False).

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	T	F
1. There are four people in Mai's family.		
2. Mai's house has seven rooms.		
3. The living room is next to the kitchen.		
4. In her bedroom, there's a clock on the wall.		
5. She often listens to music in her bedroom.		

Writing

3 Answer the questions.

1. Where do you live?
2. How many rooms are there in your house? What are they?
3. Which room do you like the best in your house? Why?

4 Write an email to Mira, your pen friend. Tell her about your house. Use the answers to the questions in 3.

New message

To: mira@webmail.com

Subject: My house

Hi Mira,

Thanks for your email. Now I'll tell you about my house.

What about you? Where do you live? Tell me in your next email.

All the best,

SEND

→ LOOKING BACK

Vocabulary

1 Put the words into the correct group. Add a new word to each group.

kitchen
sink
flat
bedroom
fridge
bathroom

dishwasher
town house
cupboard
country house
chest of drawers
living room

Types of house	Rooms	Furniture

Grammar

2 Complete the second sentence with the correct possessive form.

1. My teacher has a house next to our house.
→ Our house is next to my _____ house.
2. My brother has a TV.
→ This is my _____ TV.
3. Elena has a big bookshelf in her bedroom.
→ There's a big bookshelf in _____ bedroom.
4. My grandfather likes the kitchen the best.
→ The kitchen is my _____ favourite room.
5. My aunt has a daughter, Vy.
→ I'm _____ cousin.

3 Make sentences. Use prepositions of place.



1. The cat _____. 2. The dog _____.



3. The cat _____. 4. The cat _____.



5. The girl _____. 6. The boy _____.

4 Write three sentences to describe your favourite room in your house. Write the sentences in your notebook.

Example:

There's a big bed next to the door.



3 Use the given words and phrases below to make a conversation between two friends. Make necessary changes and add some words.

Mi: Mira, who / live / with?

Mira: live / with / parents. And you?

Mi: live / with / parents / younger brother. / you / live / house?

Mira: No. / live / flat. / you / live / house?

Mi: Yes / do. / your flat / big?

Mira: No, it / not. There / living room / two bedrooms / bathroom / kitchen.

D Reading

1 Fill each blank with a suitable word / phrase from the box to complete the following passage.

untidy are not near next on his school bag

An's bedroom is big but messy. There (1) _____ clothes on the floor. There is a big desk (2) _____ the window, and there are dirty bowls and chopsticks (3) _____ it. He usually puts his (4) _____ under the desk. His bed is (5) _____ to the desk, and it is also (6) _____. There is a cap, some CDs and some books on the bed. An's mum is (7) _____ happy with this, and now An is tidying up (8) _____ room.

2 Choose the correct answer A, B, or C to fill each blank in the following conversation.

Mum: We're moving to the new flat next month. Do you want to have a new bed?

Mi: No, I don't, Mum. I (1) _____ my old bed. It's so comfortable. But can I (2) _____ a new poster?

Mum: You have three posters already. You can put them (3) _____ the wall in your new room.

Mi: Yes, Mum. I want to have a family photo on my desk. There (4) _____ only a lamp on it now.

Mum: That's a good idea. Oh, where do you want to put your desk?

Mi: (5) _____ to my bed, Mum. I also want a small plant in my room.

Mum: That's fine. It can go (6) _____ the bookshelf and the desk.

1. A. hate B. love C. dislike

4. A. is B. are C. isn't

2. A. sell B. buy C. give

5. A. Near B. Behind C. Next

3. A. in B. near C. on

6. A. next to B. between C. in front of

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Read the emails from Vy and Tom and do the exercises.**a. Decide which of the rooms below is Vy's bedroom and which is Tom's bedroom.**

From: vy@fastmail.com

To: tom@quickmail.com

Subject: My bedroom

Hi Tom,

How are you? Now I'll tell you about my bedroom.

My bedroom is small. I have a bed, a wardrobe, a desk, a chair and a lamp. I like music, so I put three posters of famous singers on the wall. I usually do my homework on the desk in front of the big window. My room is my favourite room in the house. It's comfortable.

What is your favourite room, Tom?

Write to me soon.

Best,

Vy



From: tom@quickmail.com

To: vy@fastmail.com

Subject: Re: My bedroom

Hello Vy,

Nice to get your email. My favourite room in the house is also my bedroom.

It's big with a bed, a wardrobe, a chair, a desk and a lamp. I don't have any posters, but there's a picture of my family on the wall. My desk is next to my bed. Oh, my room also has a bookshelf and a big window. I love my room. It's cozy.

Is your new school nice? Tell me about it next time.

Cheers,

Tom

**b. Read the emails again. Answer the questions.**

Example: – Is Vy's bedroom big or small? 3. What is there in Tom's bedroom?

– It's small.

1. Is Tom's bedroom big or small?

4. Does Vy like her bedroom? Why / Why not?

2. What is there in Vy's bedroom?

5. Does Tom like his bedroom? Why / Why not?