

2b In my house

A house out of this world

Life in space is certainly very different to life on Earth. The space station is in a quiet neighbourhood and it's got a great view. There are a lot of chores that astronauts have to do ... floating in the air as they can't walk in space.

Inside the station, there is a lot of floating dust. The astronauts have got a special vacuum cleaner with a long pipe for 'catching' the dust.

As for mealtimes, there isn't a kitchen with a cooker and a fridge. All the food is in tins and packets. There are spoons, but there aren't any forks or knives because all the food is wet. And what about washing clothes? The astronauts have disposable clothes so there isn't a washing machine, either! How cool is that?!

vacuum cleaner

BACK TO EARTH

Check these words

space station, neighbourhood, chore, floating dust, pipe, catch, mealtime, tin, packet, wet, wash, disposable clothes

Vocabulary Appliances

- 1 Listen and say. Which of these things have/haven't you got in your house? Write sentences.

We've got a cooker, a fridge, ... and ...

Reading

- 2 a) Read the title of the text and look at the pictures. What could a 'house out of this world' be like?
 Listen and read the text to find out. Tell the class three things you remember from the text.

- b) **THINK!** How are chores in space different from those on Earth? How does the writer feel about this house? Would you like to live there? Why (not)? Tell the class.

Grammar see p. GR3 Plurals

- 3 Read the table. Find examples in the text.

PLURALS

- nouns + -s vase - vases
- -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -o, + -es
 bus - buses, glass - glasses,
 brush - brushes, bench - benches, fox -
 foxes, tomato - tomatoes
- consonant + y → -ies lady - ladies, BUT
 toy - toys
- -f/-fe → -ves leaf - leaves BUT
 roof - roofs

IRREGULAR PLURALS

child - children, woman - women, man - men,
 foot - feet, tooth - teeth, mouse - mice,
 person - people