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The past is a ghost, the future a dream, and all we ever have is now.

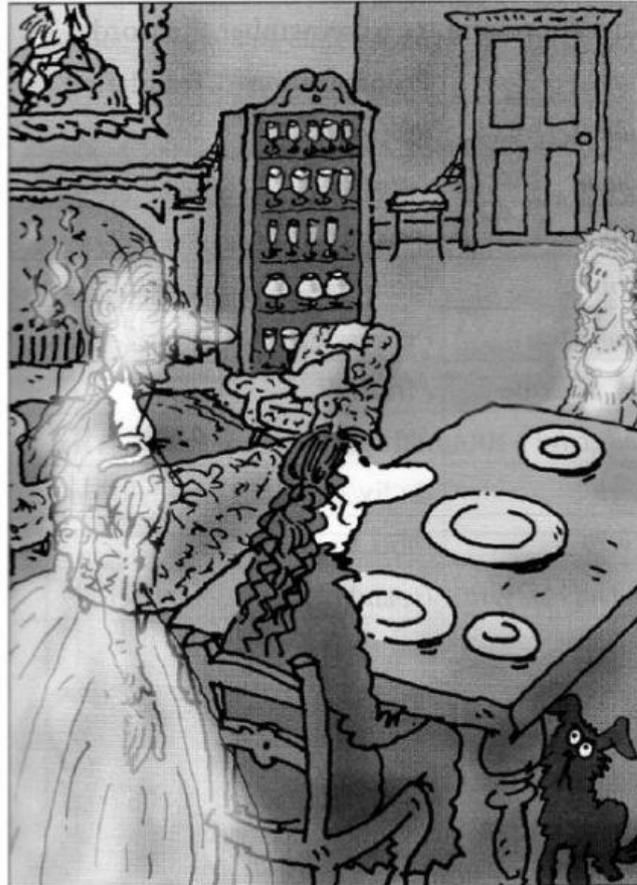
Bill Cosby, American comedian

A night in a haunted hotel

1 VOCABULARY prepositions of place

Complete the sentences with these words.

over in between on in front of
in behind next to under across from



- 1 There's a big table _____ *in* _____ the room.
- 2 There's a small table _____ the door.
- 3 There's a black dog _____ the table.
- 4 A cat is sitting _____ the fireplace.
- 5 There's a ghost sitting _____ the woman.
- 6 Another ghost is standing _____ the woman.
- 7 There are some glasses _____ the cupboard.
- 8 There are some plates _____ the table.
- 9 There's a picture _____ the fireplace.
- 10 There's a sofa _____ the two armchairs.

2 GRAMMAR *there was / there were*

a Complete the text. Use *was, were, wasn't, or weren't*.



I went on vacation to Greece last month. I stayed in a really nice hotel – there ¹ were two swimming pools outside! There ² _____ a small beach in front of the hotel. There ³ _____ any cars on the road, but there ⁴ _____ some buses and a lot of tourists. There ⁵ _____ a restaurant in the hotel, but there ⁶ _____ some very nice restaurants in the town. There ⁷ _____ a waiter named Manolis – he was very friendly. There ⁸ _____ a big window, so I could see the ocean. In the evening, when there ⁹ _____ any people on the beach, it was very beautiful.

b Complete the dialogue.

A Did you have a nice vacation in Greece?

B Yes, it was great. The hotel was really nice.

A Was it? ¹ Was there a swimming pool?

B Yes, ² _____ two swimming pools.

A Two swimming pools! Wow! What about your room?

B ³ _____ a big bed, but ⁴ _____ a television. ⁵ _____ a minibar and a beautiful sofa next to the window.

A ⁶ _____ any other Canadian tourists?

B No, ⁷ _____. But ⁸ _____ some Italians and some Americans.

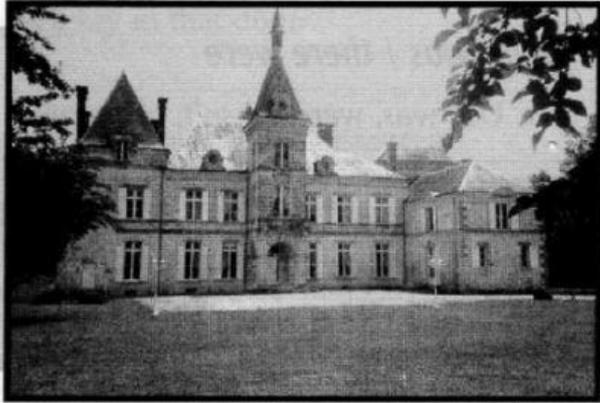
A ⁹ _____ a restaurant in the hotel?

B No, ¹⁰ _____. But ¹¹ _____ some nice restaurants in the town.

3 READING

a Read the advertisement.

Castle for rent



This beautiful 17th-century castle in southern France has 60 acres of land.

The owners live in the east wing of the castle and rent the rest of the building to tourists.



In front of the main entrance to the castle there's a rose garden and a pretty fountain, which is lit up at night. In the garden there's a heated swimming pool with a wonderful terrace for sunbathing.

There's **room** in the castle for 20 people to sleep. There are 10 bedrooms on the first and second floors, all of which have a television, and there are six bathrooms.

There's a large formal dining room on the first floor, where eight people can eat, and there's a dining area outside, where all 20 guests can have dinner together.

For relaxing in the evening, there's a large living room with sofas and armchairs. Downstairs there's also a study and a very **spacious** kitchen with doors to the garden.

The house is cleaned twice a week and there is a babysitting service.

b Read the ad again and answer the questions.

- 1 How old is the castle?
- 2 Who lives in the castle?
- 3 What two things can you do in the garden?
- 4 How many bedrooms are there?
- 5 Where can 20 guests eat together?
- 6 How often do people come to clean the house?

More Words to Learn

Write translations and try to remember the words.

Word	Pronunciation	Translation
ghost <i>noun</i>	/gəʊst/	
<u>century</u> <i>noun</i>	/'sɛntʃəri/	
priest <i>noun</i>	/prɪst/	
guest <i>noun</i>	/gɛst/	
<u>nervous</u> <i>adjective</i>	/'nɜ:vəs/	
<u>frightened</u> <i>adjective</i>	/'fraɪnd/	
strange <i>adjective</i>	/streɪndʒ/	
<u>believe</u> <i>verb</i>	/bɪ'liv/	
go <u>back</u> <i>verb</i>	/gəʊ bæk/	
spend (the night) <i>verb</i>	/spɛnd/	