3 Speaking and writing Evening routines

About you **A** **Write answers to the questions below. Then ask and answer the questions with a partner. How are your routines the same?**

- What do you do as soon as you get home?
- What do you do before you have dinner?
- What do you do while you're eating?
- What's your bedtime routine?

About you **B** **Read the article below. Then write an article about your evening routine. Use the expressions in the Help note that order events.**

My Evening Routines

First things first

As soon as I get home at night, I like to relax. **First**, I change my clothes. I put on something comfortable, like jeans and a T-shirt. **Next**, I turn on some music, **and then** I cook dinner. I like listening to music **while** I'm making dinner.

Dinnertime

I like to watch TV **during** dinner, so I eat in the living room. Right **after** dinner, I do the dishes. I hate to leave dirty dishes in the sink! **When** the kitchen is clean, I can relax.

Time for bed

I often have a snack **before** bedtime. **Then** I get my e-reader and go to bed. I read for about half an hour **before** I go to sleep.

Help note

Ordering events

- To show a sequence:
  first, next, (and) then
- Before a noun:
  before / after
  during = "at the same time as"
- To link actions:
  when
  as soon as = "immediately after," "right after"
  while = "at the same time as"
  before / after

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