BBC Student Accommodation



BEFORE YOU WATCH

1 In pairs, match the collocation parts. Use your dictionary if necessary.

1 wave	☐	a rent
2 miss out	☐	b in a project
3 be involved	☐	c in a nursing home
4 live	☐	d on the fun of student life
5 pay	☐	e somebody goodbye
6 develop	☐	f friendships

2 SPEAKING Discuss what typical student accommodation is like in your country.

3 SPEAKING You are going to watch a video about student accommodation. Discuss which words and phrases in the box you think you will hear.

books dining room deaf elderly people
isolation loud music loud television parties
peaceful posters save money

WHILE YOU WATCH

4 1 Watch the video and check your ideas in Exercise 3. What is unusual about student accommodation at Humanitas?

5 1 Complete the sentences with the numbers in the box. Then watch the video again and check your answers.

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1 Most of the residents are over _____.
2 The accommodation is free for Jurrien and _____ other students.
3 Jurrien must spend _____ hours each month with the elderly residents.
4 Jurrien can save _____ euros while he's studying.
5 One of the students lived in a student house when he was _____.
6 Jurrien likes having _____ grandparents waving him goodbye when he goes to college every day.

6 1 Complete the sentences. Watch the video and check your answers.

1 Jurrien is involved in a project to _____ young and older people and _____ the elderly with feelings of loneliness and isolation.
2 He wanted to have the _____ of connecting with elderly people.
3 'What I've learnt here is to _____ the older residents, the older people in our society.'
4 Both _____ have a lot to learn from each other.
5 The friendships that _____ are important for both young and old.

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7 SPEAKING Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of living in this kind of student accommodation. Use the KEY PHRASES to express your ideas.

The good thing about living in this kind of accommodation is that you don't have to pay rent.

KEY PHRASES

The (only) good/bad thing is that it is/ about it is ...
I would/wouldn't like to live there because ...

LIVEWORKSHEETS