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# Sure! I'll do it.

## 1 Write responses to these requests. Use *it* or *them*.

1. Please take out the trash.

OK, I'll take it out.

2. Please put the dishes away.

3. Hang up the towels.

4. Turn off the lights, please.

5. Turn on the radio.



## 2 Two-part verbs

A Use the words in the box to make two-part verbs. (You may use words more than once.)

away down off on out up

1. clean \_\_\_\_\_ up

6. take \_\_\_\_\_

2. hang \_\_\_\_\_

7. take \_\_\_\_\_

3. let \_\_\_\_\_

8. throw \_\_\_\_\_

4. pick \_\_\_\_\_

9. turn \_\_\_\_\_

5. put \_\_\_\_\_

10. turn \_\_\_\_\_

B Complete the requests with the two-part verbs in part A.

1. Please clean up your room. It's a mess.

2. Please \_\_\_\_\_ your jacket. The floor is dirty.

3. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the trash. It smells bad.

4. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the phone. It's ringing.

5. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the TV. No one is watching it.

6. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the chair. It's broken.

### 3 Choose the correct word.

1. Hang up your coat. (books / coat / trash)
2. Take out the                   . (groceries / trash / yard)
3. Turn down the                   . (garbage / TV / toys)
4. Pick up your                   . (lights / things / yard)
5. Put away your                   . (clothes / microwave / dog)
6. Turn on the                   . (magazines / mess / radio)

### 4 What's your excuse?

A Complete these requests. Use the sentences in the box.

<input type="checkbox"/> It's a mess.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> They shouldn't be on the floor.
<input type="checkbox"/> It's too loud.	<input type="checkbox"/> The milk is getting warm.
<input type="checkbox"/> The bag is almost full.	



1. Pick up your clothes, please. They shouldn't be on the floor.
2. Please put the groceries away. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Take the garbage out. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Clean up the kitchen, please. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Turn down the music. \_\_\_\_\_

B Drag and drop the best excuse for each request in part A.

1. Sorry, but there isn't enough room in my closet.
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Sorry, I didn't realize it was so loud.      Sorry, I had to answer the phone.  
Sorry, I made a cake today.      Sorry, I didn't know the garbage bag was full.

## 5 Two ways to get chores done

A Scan this article. What is different about the two computer apps for children's chores? Choose.

**ChoreMonster** is an app that allows parents to set up a chart of chores on a computer or cell phone for their children. When the kids complete their chores, they win cute little monsters that can be added up for a reward that their parents have agreed upon. For chores like cleaning their room, vacuuming the house, or washing the car, kids can earn a toy or something fun to do.

But wait! Will the cute little monsters that satisfy children between the ages of four and twelve satisfy a teenager? Let's take a look at another app to see what can happen when children become teenagers.



**VexBox** is not an app based on rewards. Instead, it is designed to frustrate, or vex, teenagers who don't do their chores. VexBox slows down computer connections until the teen completes a chore. It can take teenagers ten minutes to download their favorite song! The idea is that teens will do anything, even their chores, so they can get back to using the Internet at full speed.

Most teens do not like VexBox. That's the idea, of course. If they do their chores, then their parents won't use it!

B Read the article. Then choose the best answer for these questions.

1. Do you think computer apps for chores are a good idea? Why or why not?

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2. Would you use ChoreMonster for a young child? Why or why not?

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3. Smartphones are not affected by VexBox. Would that be a problem for parents with teenagers where you live? Why?

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## 6 Rewrite these sentences. Find another way to say each sentence using the words given.



1. Turn off your cell phone, please. (Can)

Can you turn off your cell phone, please?

2. Take this form to the office. (Would you mind)

3. Please turn the TV down. (Could)

4. Don't leave wet towels on the floor. (Would you mind)

5. Text me today's homework assignment. (Would)

6. Pass me that book, please. (Can)

## 7 Choose the correct responses.

1. A: Could you lend me some money?

B: Sure.

- Sure.
- Oh, sorry.
- No, thanks.

2. A: Would you mind helping me?

B:

- Sorry, I can't right now.
- No, thanks.
- I forgot.

3. A: Excuse me, but you're sitting in my seat.

B:

- I'll close it.
- Not right now.
- Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't realize that.

4. A: Would you like to come in?

B:

- That's no excuse.
- Sorry, I forgot.
- All right. Thanks.

5. A: Would you mind not leaving your clothes on the floor?

B:

- OK, thanks.
- Oh, all right. I'll put them away.
- Excuse me. I'll pay for them.

6. A: Can you hand me the remote control?

B:

- No problem.
- You could, too.
- I'll make sure.

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Read the conversations and drag and drop the best replies into the correct spaces.

- Roommate 1:** Could you turn the TV down? I'm trying to study, and the noise is bothering me.  
**Roommate 2:** Sorry. I didn't realize you were studying.
- Benjamin:** You're late! I've been here for half an hour!  
**Jen:** Sorry, I'm late. I overslept.
- Customer:** I brought this laptop in last week, but it's still not working right.  
**Salesperson:** I'm sorry. Let me check it for you.
- Father:** You didn't take out the garbage this morning.  
**Son:** I'm sorry. I'll take care of it right now.
- Customer:** This steak is very tough. I can't eat it.  
**Waiter:** I'm sorry. Let me take it back and bring you a new one.
- Neighbor 1:** Could you do something about your dog? It barks all night and it keeps me awake.  
**Neighbor 2:** I'm sorry. I'll talk to my dog about it.
- Resident:** Would you mind moving your car? You're parked in my parking space.  
**Visitor:** I'm sorry. I'll move it right away.
- Teacher:** Please put away your papers. You left them on your desk yesterday.  
**Student:** I'm sorry. I'll put them away right now.



I'm sorry about that. Let me take another look at it and see what we can do to fix it.

I'm so sorry. I didn't know it was that bad. I'll try to keep my dog inside at night from now on.

Sorry, I forgot. I'll put them away right now and make sure it doesn't happen again.

I'm really sorry, Benjamin. I missed the bus, but I came as quickly as I could.

Sorry, Dad. I completely forgot. I'll take it out right now.

Oh, I'm really sorry! I didn't see the sign. I'll move my car right away.

I'm very sorry. Would you like me to bring you a different steak or something else from the menu?

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Choose the correct words.

- Throw that old food away. Put it in the \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (trash can / living room / refrigerator)
- Would you mind picking up some \_\_\_\_\_. We need coffee, milk, and rice.  
 (dry cleaning / groceries / towels)
- Turn the \_\_\_\_\_ off. Electricity costs money!  
 (lights / oven / stereo)
- My neighbor made a \_\_\_\_\_. He said, "I'll be sure to stop my dog from barking."  
 (mistake / request / promise)

## 10 Make requests

A Match the words in columns A and B. Then write the phrases.

A	B	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> pick up	<input type="checkbox"/> your bedroom	1. <u>pick up some milk</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> not criticize	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> some milk	2. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> mail	<input type="checkbox"/> the groceries	3. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> not talk	<input type="checkbox"/> your sunglasses	4. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> put away	<input type="checkbox"/> these bills	5. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> take off	<input type="checkbox"/> the TV	6. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> turn down	<input type="checkbox"/> so loudly	7. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> clean up	<input type="checkbox"/> my friends	8. _____

B Complete the requests by using the phrases from part A.

1. Would you mind picking up some milk? ?
2. Could you ?
3. Would you ?
4. Would you mind ?
5. Can you , please?
6. Would you ?
7. Could you ?
8. Would you mind ?

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Drag and drop the correct wishes where they correspond.

1. My roommate is always using my hair dryer.  
I wish she had her own hair dryer.
2. My brother always leaves dirty dishes in the sink.
3. My friend always borrows my clothes without asking.
4. My cousin plays music too loudly at night.
5. My roommate never takes out the trash.
6. My sister spends hours in the bathroom every morning.

I wish she helped more with the chores.

I wish she asked before taking my things.

I wish she got ready faster.

I wish he cleaned up after himself.

I wish he listened to music more quietly.

