

## Household chores

### 1 Listen and read.

**Nam:** Hello, Minh.

**Minh:** Hi, Nam. How are you? I'm going to play football at our school sports field with a few friends this evening. Are you free to join us?

**Nam:** I'd love to, but I'm afraid I can't. I'm preparing dinner.

**Minh:** Really? Doesn't your mum cook?

**Nam:** Oh, yes. My mum usually does the cooking, but she's working late today.

**Minh:** How about your sister, Lan?  
Does she help with the housework?

**Nam:** Yes. She often helps with the cooking. But she can't help today. She's studying for her exams.

**Minh:** I see. I never do the cooking. It's my mother's job.

**Nam:** Really? So how do you divide the household chores in your family?

**Minh:** Mum is the homemaker, so she does the chores. My dad is the breadwinner; he earns money. And we, the kids, study.

**Nam:** Well, in my family, we divide the housework equally – Mum usually cooks and shops for groceries; Dad cleans the house and does the heavy lifting.

**Minh:** What about you and your sister?

**Nam:** My sister does the laundry. I do the washing-up and put out the rubbish. We also help with the cooking when our mum is busy.



