

5 A Place to Call Home

Vocabulary

Collocations & Expressions

A In the following exercise, two of the options given are used with each verb in bold to make a collocation. For each question, cross out the option that cannot be used with the verb in bold.

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| 1 make: a rest / a mess / your bed | 3 do: the housework / a lot of noise / the dishes |
| 2 move: house / with the times / dinner | 4 take: a bath / a break / a coffee |

B Complete sentences 1–8 with collocations and expressions from A. You will use some of the expressions more than once.

- 1 You aren't going anywhere until you get in your room and _____.
- 2 I'm hot and dirty from working in the garden. I need to _____; a hot one!
- 3 I don't mind if you cook, but make sure you don't _____ in the kitchen.
- 4 We didn't want to _____, but my wife got a really good job offer in London.
- 5 The only thing I hate about _____ is cleaning the toilet.
- 6 Your uncle has _____ because his detached house was too expensive!
- 7 Your furniture is ancient! _____, Carol, go buy some modern things.
- 8 Celia _____ every morning before she goes to work; she doesn't like to have a shower.
- 9 Vince broke his mother's favourite plate while he was _____.
- 10 We've been painting for hours; let's _____.

C Cover Exercises A and B and complete the collocations and expressions. Don't look! You will need to use the verbs more than once.

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| 1 _____ a bath | 5 _____ with the times |
| 2 _____ a break | 6 _____ your bed |
| 3 _____ a mess | 7 _____ the dishes |
| 4 _____ house | 8 _____ the housework |