# Living with roommates

▶ You're **looking forward** [ ] living with a roommate, but will you get along? Before you move in together, **come up** [ ] some house rules about what you both expect. For example:

- If you **have** friends [ ] for dinner, ask if it's OK *before* they show up.
- If you get back late, come in quietly – don't **wake** anyone [ ]
- If you're the last one to go to bed, turn off the TV and lights.
- If you borrow something, ask first and *always* **give** it [ ]

▶ Roommates often argue about chores. Instead of **putting up** [ ] your roommate's mess, figure out some rules that work for you, like these:

- If you make a mess, **clean** it [ ]
- If you drop it, pick it up.
- If you take it out, put it back.

▶ If your roommate's bad habits still drive you crazy and you **run out** [ ] patience, don't **put** [ ] talking about it. When a problem **comes** [ ], **go** [ ] things right away. Of course you might find out that you have to **give** [ ] a few bad habits of your own! But with a little good humor, you'll get over any problems and things should work out.

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## Match the ideas to the possible meaning

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| Look forward to | expect |
| Come up with | Postpone |
| Have (somebody) over | Propose |
| Wake up | Analyze |
| Give back | Invite |
| Put up with | Abandon |
| Go over | Open your eyes in the morning |
| Clean up | Return |
| Run out of | Tolerate |
| Put off | Clean |
| Give up | Finish |

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| come up with | go over | ✔ look forward to | put off | wake up |
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***Ji Ning*** I never look forward to our house meetings. But I guess tonight's meeting is important. There are so many things we need to _____ .

***Clara*** I agree. Things haven't been going well lately. We should have had the meeting weeks ago. I don't know why we _____ it _____ so many times.

***Ji Ning*** Well, part of the problem is Jasmina. When she's here, all she does is sleep. I try to be quiet because I don't want to _____ her _____ , but it's not really possible to have a life when someone next door is sleeping all the time.

***Clara*** Well, we have to _____ a plan. If we don't, we'll be fighting all the time.

| clean up | give back | give up | have over | put up with | run out of |
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**Do you . . .**

1. often **have** friends _____ ?
2. keep **running** _____ **of** cash?
3. ever **wake** anyone _____ ?
4. **put** _____ doing chores?
5. **go** _____ your bills?
6. always **give** things _____ ?
7. stay calm if a problem **comes** _____ ?
8. **come** _____ **with** ideas for meals?
9. have to **put** _____ **with** noisy neighbors?
10. ever try to **give** _____ bad habits?
11. **look** _____ **to** family dinners?
12. always **clean** _____ your mess?

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