

Love your neighbors

1 VOCABULARY verb phrases

Complete the text with these verbs in the simple present.

argue shout bark cry talk have
have play play



My neighbors are very noisy. A young couple with a baby and a dog live upstairs. They aren't happy together, so they ¹ *shout* all the time. Their dog ² _____ when they aren't at home, and their baby ³ _____ when they are. An old couple lives downstairs. They can't hear, so they always ⁴ _____ the TV on very loud. They ⁵ _____ loudly because the TV is loud, and they ⁶ _____ a lot about which shows to watch. Some students live next door. They all ⁷ _____ musical instruments and they aren't very good! Every night, they ⁸ _____ noisy parties and ⁹ _____ very loud music. I want a new apartment or some new neighbors!

2 GRAMMAR present continuous

a Order the words to make sentences.

1 sister's / My / exams / for / studying / her.

My sister's studying for her exams

2 with / staying / week / her / friends / this / are / Sarah's

3 tonight / party / We / a / aren't / having

4 I'm / cup / coffee / drinking / a / the / of / kitchen / in

5 for / looking / job / is / a / Marco / Why

6 because / aren't / They / jogging / today / cold / it's / too

7 computer / Are / using / you / the

8 soccer / Is / park / Adam / playing / in / the

b Complete the dialogue.

A What ¹ _____ are you doing _____, (you / do) Andy?

B ² _____ (I / make) the coffee. Why?

A I can hear a noise. It's people's voices.

B I know. That's the couple upstairs.

A ³ _____ (they / argue)?

B No, ⁴ _____ (they / not shout). It's the TV. They're very old, so they can't hear it. ⁵ _____ (they / watch) a movie.

A Oh. What's that music? Is it a party?

B It's the boy next door. ⁶ _____ (he / not have) a party! ⁷ _____ (he / listen) to music. He likes heavy metal.

A Your apartment is very noisy, Andy.

B I know. ⁸ _____ (I / look for) a new one!

c Look at the picture on page 33. What are the people doing? Complete 1–9 with a verb or verb phrase in the present continuous.

1 The woman's *talking on her cell phone*.

2 The couple _____.

3 The children _____.

4 The woman _____.

5 The baby _____.

6 The dog _____.

7 The boy _____.

8 The girl _____.



3 PRONUNCIATION /ŋ/

a **iChecker** Listen and repeat the words.



arguing barking crying having
playing shouting studying talking

b Circle the word with /ŋ/ in each pair.

1 sing	dance
2 pink	brown
3 thin	long
4 aunt	uncle
5 drink	find
6 France	England
7 young	blond
8 think	want

c **iChecker** Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.

4 LISTENING

iChecker Listen to four speakers talking about problems with their neighbors. Match the speakers to the problems. There are two problems you don't need to use.

Speaker 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	A They argue a lot.
Speaker 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	B Their dogs bark.
Speaker 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	C They have noisy parties.
Speaker 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	D They have the TV on very loud.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	E Their baby cries.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	F They play musical instruments.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

furniture /'fɜːnɪtʃər/
neighbors /'neɪbərz/
noise /nɔɪz/
noisy /'nɔɪzɪ/
strict /strɪkt/
upstairs (opposite downstairs) /ʌp'stɜːz/
now /naʊ/
complain /kəm'pleɪn/
apartment building /ə'pɑːtmənt bɪldɪŋ/
washing machine /'wɔʃɪŋ məʃɪn/