

## VOCABULARY

1 Complete the chart by putting the words in one of the three categories.

basement	block of flats	landing	porch	terraced house	cottage
bungalow	remote control	table mat	attic	vacuum cleaner	rubbish bin
curtains	detached house	cooker	oven	electric meter	wardrobe
nursery	towel-rack	dishwasher	villa	ground floor	ironing board
semi-detached house					

Types of houses	
Parts of a house	
Things in a house	

2 Fill in the gaps with the words from the box to form compound nouns.

<i>door</i>	<i>home</i>	<i>book</i>	<i>agent</i>	<i>room</i>	<i>stand</i>	<i>window</i>	<i>hair</i>	<i>house</i>
1 travel ..... <i>agent</i> .....			4 telephone .....			7 flower .....		
news ..... <i>agent</i> .....			cookery .....			hall .....		
estate ..... <i>agent</i> .....			note .....			umbrella .....		
2 dining .....			5 ..... drier			8 ..... bell		
changing .....			..... dresser			..... handle		
living .....			..... brush			..... man		
3 ..... coat			6 ..... sill			9 ..... land		
..... wife			..... pane			..... economics		
..... warming			..... shopping			..... work		

3 Make the opposites of the adjectives by using the prefix *un-* or the suffix *-less*. Then fill in the gaps with the most suitable word.

airy - *airless*..... practical - ..... useful - ..... tidy - .....  
colourful - ..... tasteful - ..... spacious - ..... crowded - .....

- I find an electric fan very ..... to have at home when the heat outside is incredible.
- Pale carpets are ..... if you have kids.
- A(n) ..... room doesn't have enough fresh air.
- What a(n) ..... room; the books and things are scattered everywhere.
- The ..... curtains in my room attract everybody's attention.
- It was an ugly room with ..... decorations and shabby furniture.
- We have just moved to a new apartment as it is more ..... than the previous one.
- The room was so ..... with different pieces of old furniture that it was impossible to breathe.

**4 Find the missing words to complete the passage.**

Our house is not very large, but it is (1) c\_\_\_\_\_ and well planned. It is a small two-storeyed (2) d\_\_\_\_\_ house. In front of the house there is a green (3) l\_\_\_\_ and a lot of flowers. Behind it there is a little (4) o\_\_\_\_\_ with a few fruit trees in it. On the (5) g\_\_\_\_\_ floor there is a (6) k\_\_\_\_\_, a pantry, a dining-room, a (7) c\_\_\_\_ sitting-room and my father's (8) s\_\_\_\_\_. There are several rooms (9) u\_\_\_\_\_ on the first floor: my parents' (10) b\_\_\_\_\_, Grandmother's room, which is also my little brother's (11) n\_\_\_\_\_, my room and a (12) b\_\_\_\_\_. The (13) f\_\_\_\_\_ is modern and quite new. But my father says he has to pay a lot of money for the house. (14) h\_\_\_\_\_, gas and (15) e\_\_\_\_\_.

**5 Match the beginnings of the sentences with their endings.**

1 George redecorated his room with flowery wallpaper	a) with woods, fields and a small river.
2 She furnished the rooms with what she had already owned	b) only a shower and a basin, but he didn't mind.
3 The old couple decided to buy a bungalow	c) because they both had difficulty climbing stairs.
4 My family has lived in this farmhouse for years	d) which had been rebuilt and turned into a modern house.
5 My home town is surrounded by lovely countryside	e) and the flat felt damp and chilly.
6 There's a knock at the door.	f) and painted the floor light brown.
7 Their house was an old farm building.	g) I always take the lift.
8 Peter's bathroom didn't have a bath.	h) because she couldn't afford to buy new furniture.
9 It had been raining for a week.	i) and we have always raised horses here too.
10 I live on the 25th floor of a block of flats so	j) Can you see who it is?

**6 Complete the conversations with the words given on the right.**

1 A: Good morning. I'm Jack Green. I've come to see the <sup>1</sup>.....  
B: Come in and have a look, please. It's the one <sup>2</sup>..... mine.  
A: Are you a <sup>3</sup>..... here too?  
B: Yes, I've been <sup>4</sup>..... from Mrs Kent for three years.  
A: Is Mrs Kent the <sup>5</sup>..... here?  
B: Yes, she's very kind and friendly.

renting  
landlady  
room  
tenant  
next to

2 A: You look happy, Jane.  
B: Yes, we're going to <sup>6</sup>..... to our new house next week.  
A: Have you signed the <sup>7</sup>.....?  
B: Yes, and I'm going to pick up the <sup>8</sup>..... from the <sup>9</sup>..... tomorrow.

estate agent  
move in  
keys  
contract

3 A: What is your <sup>10</sup>..... like?  
B: It's not too bad. There's a fairly large sink and the cooker next to it, <sup>11</sup>.....  
A: Is there a washing machine?  
B: Yes, <sup>12</sup>..... the stairs. And there's a freezer, too, <sup>13</sup>..... of the fridge.  
A: Lots of <sup>14</sup>..... to put things!  
B: Oh, enough, I think. And there are shelves <sup>15</sup>..... the cooker. And there's a round table <sup>16</sup>..... of the kitchen, with four chairs, to eat <sup>17</sup>..... I think there's a cupboard on the floor <sup>18</sup>..... the table and the cooker.

at  
on the right  
on top  
in the middle  
space  
under  
between  
kitchen  
over