

Lesson A

Spring cleaning

1 Whose is it?

Grammar and vocabulary

A Complete the chart with the correct pronouns.

Subject pronouns	Object pronouns	Possessive adjectives	Possessive pronouns
I	me		mine
you			
he		his	
she			
we			
they			



B Look at the pictures and write questions with *Whose*. Then answer the questions using possessive pronouns.



1. A Whose suitcases are those?
B They're ours.

2. A _____
B _____

3. A _____
B _____



4. A _____
B _____

5. A _____
B _____

6. A _____
B _____

2 After the party

Grammar Circle the correct words to complete the conversation.

- Karen Wow! What a mess.
- Matt Are all of these things **our** / **ours**?
- Karen No, they're things people forgot when they left the party last night.
- Matt Well, I'm looking for **my** / **mine** jacket.
- Karen Is this **your** / **yours** jacket?
- Matt No, that's not **my** / **mine**. **My** / **Mine** is blue. I guess that's Felipe's.
- Karen No, it's not **him** / **his**. Felipe's jacket's gray.
- Matt Oh, well. Wow! Look at those DVDs. Whose are they?
- Karen I think they're your parents'. Yeah, these are **their** / **theirs**. We borrowed them when we were at **their** / **theirs** house last weekend.
- Matt Oh, yeah, . . . right. Hey, whose keys are these? Are they Jan's?
- Karen No, they're not **her** / **hers**. See the keychain? It says "Andy."
- Matt I lost **my** / **mine** glasses, too!
- Karen Wait a minute. Is this jacket **your** / **yours**?
- Matt Yes, thanks! You're amazing. Now, do you think you can find **my** / **mine** glasses?



3 About you

Grammar and vocabulary Are these sentences true or false for you? Write **T** (true) or **F** (false). Then correct the false sentences.

1. I can never find anything in my closet. **F**

I can usually find things in my closet, but I can't find things in my drawers.

2. All my pens are in a jar on my desk.

3. I put things like my ID card and passport in a drawer in my dresser.

4. There's a box under my bed with photos and letters in it.

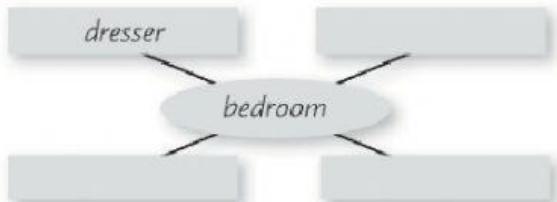
5. I put all my old magazines and books in the closet.

6. I keep stuff like shampoo, brushes, and my hair dryer in a drawer.

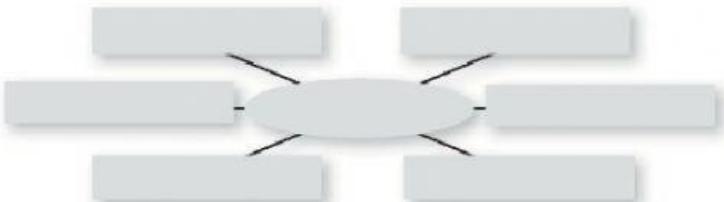
7. I keep all my shoes in the closet.

B Read the clues and write the rooms in the center of the webs. Then complete the webs with words from part A. Some words can be used more than once.

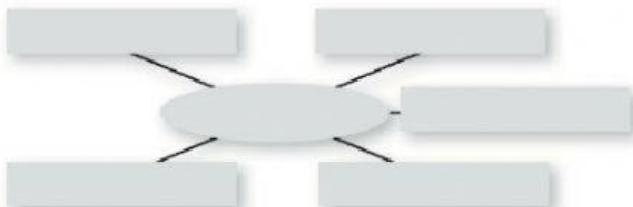
1. I sleep in this room.



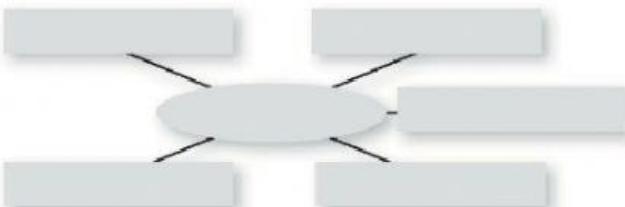
2. I cook and sometimes eat in this room.



3. I wash my face and brush my teeth in this room.



4. In this room, I listen to music, watch TV, and relax.



2 I like that one.

Grammar Look at the pictures. Complete Ana's questions with *one* or *ones*. Bob has different tastes. Write his answers using two adjectives and a prepositional phrase.

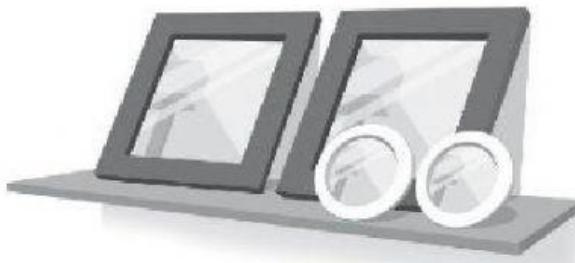


1. Ana I like the Thai sofa. Which one do you like?

Bob Oh, I like the big Italian one on the right.

2. Ana I like the white dresser. Which one do you like?

Bob It's the tall, dark one on the left.



3. Ana I like the square mirrors. Which one do you like?

Bob I like the small one on the right.

4. Ana I love the big clock. Which one do you like?

Bob I like the large, round one on the left.

1 Asking politely

Conversation
strategiesComplete the questions with **Would you mind** or **Do you mind if**.

1. A Do you mind if I borrow your dictionary?

B No, not at all. Go ahead.

2. A answering the phone for me?

B Oh, no. No problem.

3. A closing that door?

B No, not at all.

4. A I take off my shoes?

B No. Go right ahead.

5. A I use your laptop for a minute?

B No problem.



6. A handing me the potato salad?

B Oh, no. Not at all. Here you go.

7. A playing that song again?

B I'd be happy to.

8. A I eat the last piece of apple pie?

B Not at all. Go ahead.

9. A I turn on the news for a minute?

B No, not at all.

10. A turning down the music a little?

B No problem.



3 Requests, requests

Conversation strategies | Agree to these requests from a visitor to your home. Then add a question.

1. A I feel sleepy. Would you mind making some coffee?
B No, not at all. How do you like it?
2. A Do you mind if we watch the soccer game tonight?
B _____
3. A I feel hot. Could I get a glass of water?
B _____
4. A Can I borrow your phone? I need to call my sister.
B _____
5. A Sorry, I can't hear you. Would you mind turning down the music a little?
B _____
6. A Can we listen to some music?
B _____
7. A I feel a little hungry. Do you mind if I take an apple?
B _____
8. A Could I borrow a sweater? I feel a little cold.
B _____

1 Cat habitat

Reading | A What do you think these words mean?

cat boat

cat lady

houseboat

stray cat

All aboard, furry neighbors!

Have you ever lived next door to a boat? How about a boat full of cats?

Amsterdam, the largest city in the Netherlands, is full of canals. There are many different kinds of boats on the canals. Some of them carry people and goods, some have shops or restaurants on them, while others are houseboats – boats that people live on. But not only people live on these houseboats. Cats do too, at least on two of them.



It all began in 1966 with a stray cat, her kittens, and a kind woman named Henriette van Weelde. One rainy night, Henriette heard a cat crying outside her house. She opened the door and saw a wet mother cat trying to protect her kittens from the rain. Henriette felt sorry for the poor animals, so she let them live with her. Soon another stray cat joined them, and then more. Henriette quickly became known as the “cat lady.”

Before long, the cats filled Henrietts house. Then they filled her garden. And the cats kept coming. What could she do with them all? She saw the answer to her problem floating on the canal – a houseboat. People could live on houseboats, so why couldn't cats? In 1968, Henrietts bought her first "cat boat."



Soon, even more stray cats moved in, and then came people who wanted to help – the first volunteers. But after just three years, the houseboat was full of cats. So Henrietts bought another boat! More people were visiting, not just to bring cats in, but also to adopt a pet or just to look. After all, a houseboat for cats is not a common sight!

Today, Henrietts two cat boats are still in the same place on the canal. And the Cat Boat Foundation that Henrietts started years ago is not only an official Dutch charity but also an international tourist attraction!



C Read these questions. Find the answers in the article.

1. What do the boats on Amsterdam's canals do? They carry people and goods. Some of them are shops and restaurants. People live on them, too.
2. Why did Henrietts van Weelde take in the first stray cat? _____
3. What did Henrietts do when her house and garden filled with cats? _____
4. Who helped Henrietts take care of the cats? _____
5. What are two reasons people visit Henrietts cat boats? _____

2 A typical Sunday



Writing A Read the statements. Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

1. First, Danny wakes up around noon on Sunday. (first / as soon as)
2. He sleeps for 30 or so minutes more before he gets out of bed. (before / after)
3. Then, he takes a quick shower, gets dressed, and goes downstairs. (then / while)
4. Next, he goes into the kitchen and makes a huge breakfast. (when / next)
5. While he's eating breakfast, he reads the sports section of the paper. (during / while)
6. He checks his email when he finishes his breakfast. (when / next)
7. He watches football on TV as soon as he's off the computer. (as soon as / then)
8. He usually falls asleep once or twice during the game. (during / while)
9. After the game is over, Danny goes upstairs and takes a long nap. (then / after)



- B** Write true sentences about your Sunday afternoons. Use *first, next, then, before, after, during, as soon as, while, and when*.

First, I