



Renting

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Beginner

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Theme:

Housing

Topic:

Renting

Task	Language focus	Learning activities	Resources
1. Can read newspaper advertisements about rental properties	Vocabulary rent, own, move, per week, air conditioning, built in robes, location, excellent position, wall to wall carpets, pets, modern	Answer questions about a story Match words to abbreviations Read newspaper advertisements and complete the information Extension Read the rentals section of a newspaper	Worksheet 1: Looking for a place to live Worksheet 2: Abbreviations Worksheet 3: Newspaper advertisements Authentic newspaper – rentals section

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Task 1: Can read newspaper advertisements about rental properties

Vocabulary: rent, own, move, per week, air conditioning, built in robes, location, excellent position, wall to wall carpets, pets, modern

Preparation

Find a newspaper which has rental properties and bring to the session.

Activity instructions

Answers questions about a story

- 📄 Worksheet 1: Looking for a place to live
Ask: Do you rent or own your house/flat?

Show the picture on the worksheet and ask questions: What does 'looking for a place to rent' mean?

Who do you think is looking for a place to rent?

Read the script (up to three times).

Learner listens and answers yes or no to the statements.

Script

Hi, I'm Ailyn. I come from Argentina, in South America. I have two daughters, Isabella and Katherina.

We arrived in Australia two months ago. We like Australia but we are a bit lonely. We don't have many friends here.

We live with my brother, but his house is very small, so we need to move. We are looking for a flat to rent.

Ask the learner to read the sentences again and change the incorrect statements to make them correct.

Match words to abbreviations

- 📄 Worksheet 2: Abbreviations
Learner reads the words and matches the words with the abbreviations.

Read newspaper advertisements and complete the information

- 📄 Worksheet 3: Newspaper advertisements
Learner reads the advertisements. (Refer to worksheet 2 for abbreviations.)
Ask questions: Is this advertisement for a house, flat or unit?
Where is the ___ (house, flat etc)?
How many bedrooms?
How many bathrooms?
Does it have a ___ (laundry, garage etc)?
Can you have a dog or cat in this place?
How much is the rent per week?
How can I see this place?

Learner reads the advertisements again and completes the information.

Extension activity

Read the rentals section of a newspaper

- 📄 Authentic newspaper – rentals section

Show the learner which section of the paper they can find places to rent.

Look through some advertisements and encourage the learner to read.

Ask questions: Which ____ (flat, apartment etc) would you like? Why?

Worksheet 1: Looking for a place to live

Listen to the story.
*Write **Yes** or **No** to the statements.*



Yes/No

1. Ailyn was born in Brisbane. _____
2. She has two children. _____
3. They have lots of friends in Australia. _____
4. They live in a flat in Brisbane. _____
5. They are looking for small house to rent. _____

Worksheet 2: Abbreviations

Newspaper advertisements often include abbreviations.
Match the words with the abbreviations.



Word	Abbreviation
bedroom	Indry
kitchen	gar
bathroom	WC
laundry	BR
toilet	kit
garage	bathrm

Word	Abbreviation
apartment	ww
air conditioning	first flr
built in robes	mod
wall to wall	apart
first floor	BIRs
modern	A/C

Word	Abbreviation
per week	cls
telephone	pw
close to	Sat
excellent position	Ph
transport	transp
Saturday	excel posn

Worksheet 3: Newspaper advertisements

Read the advertisements and complete the information.

CHAPEL HILL 3 BR house
2 bathrms, mod kit, gar.
Cls schools, shops.
Pets allowed.
\$380 pw
View SAT 12-12.30
Ph 8371 9889

Suburb Chapel Hill
House or flat _____
Bedrooms _____
Rent _____
Parking YES/NO
Pets YES/NO
How to see _____

BICTON mod 2 br
first flr flat.
A/C, BIRs, Indry, excel
posn, close transp.
No pets.
\$ 260 pw
Ph 9296 3348

Suburb _____
House or flat _____
Bedrooms _____
Rent _____
Parking YES/NO
Pets YES/NO
How to see _____

INGLEWOOD Mod 2
BR apart, 2 WCs
WW carpets, gar.
No pets.
View Sat 1-1.30
PH 4652 8913

Suburb _____
House or flat _____
Bedrooms _____
Rent _____
Parking YES/NO
Pets YES/NO
How to see _____