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“We’re going to be roommates!”

GOALS

- Learn how to describe housing
- Learn how to talk about personality
- Learn how to use indirect speech

WARM-UP

Look at the picture. Answer the questions.



- 1 Are you an outgoing or a shy person? In what way?
- 2 Do you live in a dormitory? Do you enjoy living with your roommates?
- 3 Do you like your living environment to be peaceful and well-organized?

EXAMPLE

I am an outgoing person. I like going out and meeting new people.



VOCABULARY BUILDER



A Listen and repeat.



administrative



spacious



privacy



tenant



housing



cozy



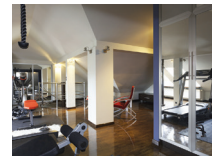
duplex



balcony



subway



amenities

B Complete the sentences with the words from Exercise A.

- In the morning, I like to have breakfast on my _____.
- There is a(n) _____ fee for this application.
- This apartment has many great _____ like a gym and a swimming pool.
- Danny's new house is so _____. There is plenty of room.
- My house is not very big at all. It's small but _____.
- Jenny just bought a new _____ over on Grove Street.
- The government has launched a scheme to provide affordable _____ for local people.
- This place is very convenient. It's right next to the _____ station.
- I'm renting my house out to a new _____. I hope she will take care of the place.
- With several people squashed in one house, you don't get much _____.

LANGUAGE NOTE



duplex: 或 duplex apartment, 指复式公寓, 即占两层楼的公寓套房。duplex 也指联式房屋, 即一栋房屋分隔开来, 并排住两家人。

CULTURAL NOTE



privacy: 隐私。不同文化对于“隐私”的理解不尽相同。我们与不同文化的人交流时要了解并尊重对方的隐私。薪酬、年龄、婚姻状况等通常都属于个人隐私。



C Listen and complete the conversation.

W: Hello, is this Mr. Lin?

M: Yes, this is Mr. Lin speaking.

W: Hi, I am calling about the (1) _____ you have for rent.

M: Which one? I have several.

W: The one over on Ashford Street. Is it still (2) _____?

M: Yes, it is. Would you like to come and see it?

W: Yes, I would. Do you mind if I ask you a few questions first?

M: Sure, not at all.

W: Is the apartment located in a(n) (3) _____ area? I don't have a car.

M: Yes, it is very convenient. There are shops and a(n) (4) _____ station all within walking distance.

W: Great! Which subway line is that?

M: Line 3. How about you come today at 6 p.m.? I'll (5) _____ you the address.

W: Can we make it seven? I finish work at six.

M: Seven is fine. I'll see you then. What is your name?

W: My name is Kelly Zhou. Thanks for the (6) _____.

M: Bye, Kelly. See you later.

W: Bye.

D Read the rent advertisement. Complete it with the words from Exercise A.

FOR RENT

A spacious (1) _____ apartment, located in the center of town. Two bedrooms, (2) _____, kitchen, bathroom and (3) _____ living room. Close to all local (4) _____, including the (5) _____ station. Would suit a professional couple. Contact Margo at info@citycenterlettings.com for more information and to arrange a viewing.

WORDS & EXPRESSIONS



administrative /əd'mɪnəstrətɪv/ *adj.* 行政的; 管理的

amenity /ə'mɪ:nəti/ *n.* 便利设施; 生活设施

balcony /'bælkəni/ *n.* 阳台

cozy /'kəʊzi/ *adj.* 小而温暖舒适的

duplex /'dju:pleks/ *n.* 复式公寓; 联式房屋

housing /'haʊzɪŋ/ *n.* 住房; 住房条件

privacy /'praɪvəsi/ *n.* 隐私; 独处

spacious /'speɪʃəs/ *adj.* 宽敞的

subway /'sʌbweɪ/ *n.* 地铁

tenant /'tenənt/ *n.* 房客; 租户



SHOW TIME



A Watch the video. Match the pictures to the sentences which best describe them.



a



b



c



d

- 1 The landlord comes to remind them about the rules.
- 2 Hector starts to unpack.
- 3 Mateo, Hector and Naomi are at their new house.
- 4 Mateo, Hector and Naomi read the lease.

B Fill in the table according to the video.

Length of lease	
Rent	
Basic deposit (before the administrative fee)	
Administrative fee	
Cleaning deposit	
Total deposit	



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C Watch the video again. Complete the conversation.

Landlord: Actually, the (1) _____ is \$1,600.
Hector: Excuse me? What's the (2) _____ \$100 for?
Landlord: That's a(n) (3) _____ fee.
Mateo: In other words, we need \$3,100 to move in?
Landlord: Plus a(n) (4) _____ deposit.
Hector: A cleaning deposit? How much is that?
Landlord: The cleaning deposit is \$300. It's (5) _____, as long as the apartment is in perfect condition when you move out.
Mateo: Let me see if I got this right. \$3,100 plus \$300 is \$3,400.
Landlord: Correct, Einstein.
Hector: Is that it, or are there other (6) _____ fees, too?
Landlord: No, that's all. So you can sign right here.
Naomi: I'm sorry, but I need to read the (7) _____ before I sign it. Can't we just send you a signed copy later on?
Landlord: I guess so. I'll need it by tomorrow at the latest.

D Put the words in order to make well-formed questions.

- 1 much / the / is / rent / how
How much is the rent ?
- 2 deposit / is / much / how / the

- 3 long / how / lease / the / is

- 4 fees / any / other / there / are

- 5 copy / of / lease / the / have / can / I / a

WORDS & EXPRESSIONS



deposit /dɪ'pɒzɪt/ *n.* 押金; 订金

hereby /hɪə'baɪ/ *adv.* 特此; 兹

hidden /'hɪdn/ *adj.* 隐藏的

landlord /'lændlɔ:d/ *n.* 房东

lease /li:s/ *n.* 租约

pillow /'pɪləʊ/ *n.* 枕头

refundable /rɪ'fʌndəbəl/ *adj.* 可退还的

stress out 紧张; 极度焦虑



A Read the quiz. Choose the answers which best apply to you.

Are you an introvert or an extrovert?

Being introverted or extroverted is not a case of “either / or”. Most people tend to be a bit of both. Take this quiz and find out which side of the spectrum you lean towards more.

- 1 Do you like to be in the spotlight?
 - a Yes, most of the time.
 - b No, never.
 - c Sometimes.
- 2 Do you like to be around other people?
 - a Yes, always.
 - b Not really.
 - c Sometimes.
- 3 Would you rather work alone or in a group?
 - a Work with a group of five to six people.
 - b Work alone.
 - c Work with a partner I know well.
- 4 It's Friday night. You'd rather _____.
 - a go out and meet new people
 - b stay at home and read
 - c go out with a small group of close friends
- 5 At a party, what do you usually do?
 - a Talk to everyone.
 - b Keep to myself.
 - c Only talk to those I know.
- 6 When you have a problem, you usually _____.
 - a ask many people for their opinions
 - b solve it independently
 - c ask one or two close friends
- 7 When talking to other people, you usually _____.
 - a say whatever comes to mind
 - b think before speaking
 - c speak freely, but be careful not to offend
- 8 Are you a difficult person to get to know?
 - a No, I am open.
 - b Yes, I am a very private person.
 - c Only my close friends know me.
- 9 Do you enjoy meeting new people?
 - a Yes, I love it.
 - b No, I don't.
 - c Sometimes, depending on my mood.
- 10 You have to give a speech in front of 50 people. How do you feel?
 - a Really excited.
 - b Very nervous.
 - c Scared, but ready to try it.



B What is the purpose of this quiz?

- 1 To find out if you are extroverted.
- 2 To find out whether you have a more introverted or extroverted personality.
- 3 To find out how good you are at making friends.

C What do your choices say about you?

Mostly As

You are more of an extrovert. You love being around others and your idea of a good time is being in a room full of people. Your outgoing nature makes you a popular party guest!

Mostly Bs

You are more of an introvert. You are at your most relaxed and productive state when you have time and space. A night in with a book is your idea of a good time.

Mostly Cs

You are a mix of both. There are times when you want to be alone and times when you want to party! People who have a mix of introverted and extroverted qualities often enjoy performing in front of others.

D Match the answers to the questions in the quiz.

- 1 Excited, but a little nervous at the same time.
- 2 Say what I'd like to say if I know the person well.
- 3 It depends on if I like the person who wants to get to know me.
- 4 If I'm in a good mood, yes.
- 5 Talk to people I don't know if they look friendly.
- 6 Go to a lecture alone or with friends.
- 7 Work with a small group of people.
- 8 Rarely, because I never know what to say.
- 9 Yes, always. I love attention.
- 10 See if I can find a solution online, anonymously.

WORDS & EXPRESSIONS



extrovert /'ekstrəvɜ:t/ *n.* 性格外向的人; 活泼自信的人

extroverted /'ekstrəvɜ:tɪd/ *adj.* 性格外向的

introvert /'ɪntrəvɜ:t/ *n.* 性格内向的人; 不爱交际者

introverted /'ɪntrəvɜ:tɪd/ *adj.* 性格内向的

offend /ə'fend/ *v.* 冒犯; 使生气

private /'praɪvət/ *adj.* 内向的; 内敛的

scared /skeəd/ *adj.* 害怕的; 感到恐慌的

spectrum /'spektrəm/ *n.* 范围; 幅度

depend on 取决于

in the spotlight 在聚光灯下; 为媒体所关注

keep to oneself 不与他人交往的

lean towards 倾向于; 向……倾斜



READING

E Match the words and the expression to the definitions.

- | | |
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| 1 mix | a frightened of or nervous about something |
| 2 in the spotlight | b a particular combination of qualities or substances |
| 3 private | c someone's character |
| 4 personality | d to make someone feel upset or angry |
| 5 scared | e at the center of attention |
| 6 offend | f not wanting to share feelings and thoughts with other people |

F Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words or expressions from the boxes.

introverted

extroverted

lean towards

depend on

keep to oneself

come to mind

- I sometimes dress smartly, but it _____ the occasion.
- Our neighbors _____. We hardly see them.
- This assignment is pretty good. It's a B, but it's _____ an A.
- Sara is so _____. She loves parties and has lots of friends.
- "Do you have any good ideas?" "Nothing _____ right now."
- My brother is quite _____. He stays at home and plays computer games alone.

G Put the letters in the correct order. Use the clues to help you.

1

ovtrertin
(clue: someone who is quiet and shy)
i_____

2

ertvoextr
(clue: someone who is outgoing and confident)
e_____

3

elnoa
(clue: without any other people)
a_____

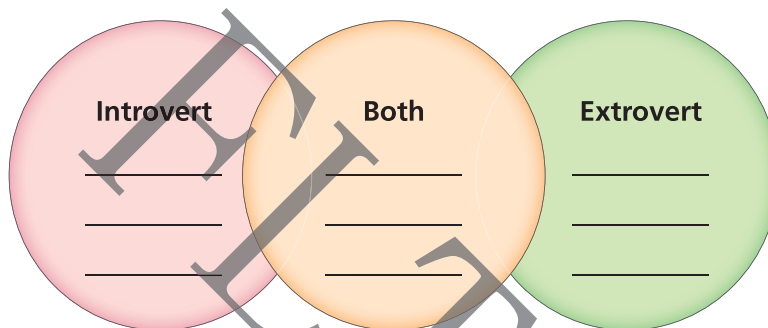
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(clue: not easy to please)
d_____

BEYOND THE TEXT

- A** Read the list of jobs. Are they suitable for introverts, extroverts or both? Put them into the right circles.

writer	salesperson	journalist
teacher	researcher	talk show host
scientist	secretary	cook
actor / actress	nurse	DJ



- B** Which job(s) from Exercise A would be most suitable for your personality type? Share your reasons with a partner.

EXAMPLE

I think the best job for my personality type would be an actor. I'm a mix of introverted and extroverted qualities. Actors need to perform and they need to be confident, but they also need to spend time alone learning lines and researching the characters. A lot of famous actors say they have introverted qualities, too. So I think it's the job for me!



CHAT TIME



A Listen and complete the conversation.

Vicky: Hi, are you Natalie?
 Natalie: Yes, I am.
 Vicky: Hi! I'm Vicky! I'm your new roommate.
 Natalie: Nice to meet you. (1) _____.
 Vicky: Well, I love meeting new people. I love to go out and go to parties. I am studying law. I don't like studying alone in the library though. I prefer to be around people.
 Natalie: (2) _____.
 Vicky: Yeah, I really am. How about you?
 Natalie: I'm more of an introvert. I like to be alone. I have a few close friends I see sometimes.
 Vicky: I have many friends. I also like to make people laugh! I'm quite creative, too. I like to paint.
 Natalie: Do you have any siblings?
 Vicky: (3) _____.
 Natalie: That makes sense. They say the youngest child is often creative, extroverted and enjoys the spotlight.
 Vicky: Interesting! How about you? Do you have any siblings?
 Natalie: (4) _____. They say that usually an only child will be hard-working and self-critical. I think that's pretty accurate.
 Vicky: (5) _____? My older brother Luke is a middle child.
 Natalie: They say the middle child is often popular, but very rebellious. Does that describe Luke?
 Vicky: Yes, it does. Maybe there is some truth to what they say about birth order.



LANGUAGE NOTE



extrovert 和 **introvert** 都来源于拉丁语。extro 意为“外部的，外面的”。intro 意为“向内的，内心的”。而 vert 意思是“转向，朝着”。因此，外向的人“朝向外面”，内向的人“朝向里面”。这两个词被著名心理学家卡尔·荣格 (Carl Jung) 广泛使用。

B Talk about personality with a partner.



Sam

Are you more of an extrovert or an introvert?



You



Sam

What is your birth order in your family? Or are you an only child?



You



Sam

Do you think that birth order can affect one's personality?



You



C Work in pairs. Discuss the personality of your ideal girlfriend or boyfriend with a partner.

Useful language

- have a sense of humor
- be interested in current affairs
- have lots of interests
- love life
- have a well-paid job
- be the life and soul of the party
- generous
- ambitious
- outgoing
- intellectual
- kind
- trustworthy

EXAMPLE

A: What do you look for in a girlfriend, Sam? I'm talking about personality, not looks!

B: Well, I'd like a girlfriend who is independent, who knows her own mind and can make her own decisions. What about you, Maria? What do you look for in a boyfriend?

A: My ideal boyfriend would be fun, love life and have lots of interests.

B: Yeah, a sense of humor is very important.

A: ...

WORDS & EXPRESSIONS



accurate /ækjərət/ *adj.* 精确的

creative /kri'eɪtɪv/ *adj.* 有创造力的

self-critical /self'krɪtɪkəl/ *adj.* 自我批评的

sibling /'sɪblɪŋ/ *n.* 兄弟; 姊妹

rebellious /rɪ'beljəs/ *adj.* 叛逆的; 反抗的

birth order 出生顺序

only child 独生子女



WRITING

An informal email between friends (朋友间非正式电子邮件)

A Read the email from Amanda. Why is she writing to Bella?

Hi Bella,

How are you? Hope your exams are going well!

I'm OK, but a really strange new roommate moved into my apartment a month ago. At first, I thought she was just a little bit quiet, and I was fine with that. I mean, there's nothing wrong with introverts, right? My roommate Sara is more than a bit introverted though. She never leaves her room! I never see her at all during the day. I only hear her at nighttime when she gets up and cooks a meal at 2 o'clock in the morning. That would be OK, but she never clears up or washes the dishes. So every day, I wake up to a terrible mess.

I tried to speak to her about it, but she got angry with me for waking her up! It was 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Do you have any ideas? I just want a normal roommate who I can hang out with sometimes.

Write soon,
Amanda



B Read the email again. Answer the questions with full sentences.

- 1 When did Amanda's new roommate move in?
- 2 Why does Amanda think Sara strange?
- 3 How often does Amanda see Sara?
- 4 What is unusual about Sara's living habits?
- 5 How did Sara react when Amanda tried to speak to her about the problem?

C Match the sentence halves to suggest some possible solutions for Amanda's problem.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 You should try speaking to her again, | a and agree on some house rules? |
| 2 It sounds as if she's depressed— | b but you should wait until nighttime when she's awake. |
| 3 Why don't you sit down together | c maybe she should see a doctor. |

D Write a reply to Amanda's email. The following expressions may help you. Remember to:

- tell her some news about yourself;
- express sympathy for her situation;
- offer some useful advice;
- end with a friendly sign-off.

HELTPP

Opening expressions

- Lovely to hear from you!
- I'm so happy to get your email.
- Really sorry to hear about your problems.

Making suggestions

- Why don't you try talking to her again?
- You should invite her for coffee and talk things over.

Closing expressions

- Hope things improve soon.
- Let me know how it goes.
- Take care and see you soon.



A Rewrite the sentences using indirect speech.

- 1 He said, "I am tired today."
He said that he was tired that day.
- 2 He said, "I can run really fast."

- 3 She said, "I will come over tomorrow."

- 4 He said, "I have already eaten."

- 5 He said, "I saw you yesterday."

GRAMMAR NOTE



当用自己的话转述别人的话时，被转述的部分称为间接引语 (**indirect speech**)。使用间接引语时，要根据意思改变人称，根据时态呼应的原则调整时态，指示代词、地点及时间状语也需要进行相应的转换。如：

- | | | |
|--------------|---|-------------------|
| this morning | → | that morning |
| today | → | that day |
| tomorrow | → | the following day |
| yesterday | → | the previous day |

B Complete the conversation using indirect speech.

Roberto: Hey, Sally. Can you help me move apartment today, please?

Sally: Me? But you told me that Harry (1) _____! ("I will help you!")

Roberto: Well, Harry promised he was going to help me, yes. Unfortunately though, he can't.

Sally: Why not?

Roberto: Harry just phoned me and told me that (2) _____. ("I'm visiting my brother in hospital this morning.") He told me that (3) _____. ("My brother is very ill.") Sounds serious.

Sally: Oh, yeah?

Roberto: What's funny?

Sally: Well, I met Harry's brother this morning. He looked pretty good to me! He told me that (4) _____.

_____ ("I won two tickets to see the baseball match today.") He was going to ask Harry if he could come with him!

Roberto: Harry really is untrustworthy!





A Watch the video. Read the statements. Write T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Jennifer wants to live by the ocean.
- 2 Calum doesn't want a swimming pool.
- 3 Dennis wants to have a large living room.
- 4 Martin wants a big TV.
- 5 Alejandra wants a huge house with three bedrooms.



B Watch the video again. Answer the questions.

1 Where does Jennifer want to live?

2 Why does Calum want a large garden?

3 What does Dennis want in his dream house?

4 What size of TV does Martin want?

5 Why does Alejandra want a wide veranda?

C Answer the questions. Tell your own story.

1 Where would your dream house be?

My dream house would be...

2 What would your dream house have inside of it?

It would have...

3 Who would you like to live with?

I would like to live with...

WORDS & EXPRESSIONS



high-tech /ˈhaɪ 'tek/ *adj.* 高科技的

plasma /'plæzmə/ *n.* 等离子(子)体

sunset /sʌnset/ *n.* 日落; 黄昏

veranda /və'rændə/ *n.* 走廊; 游廊

yard /jɑ:d/ *n.* 院子



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MY LEARNING LOG

WORDS

Words I have learned in this unit are:

- | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> administrative | <input type="checkbox"/> deposit | <input type="checkbox"/> offend | <input type="checkbox"/> spacious |
| <input type="checkbox"/> amenity | <input type="checkbox"/> extrovert | <input type="checkbox"/> refundable | <input type="checkbox"/> tenant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cozy | <input type="checkbox"/> introvert | <input type="checkbox"/> scared | |

Now I know _____ new words.

More words I have learned in this unit are:

EXPRESSIONS

Expressions I have learned in this unit are:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> depend on. | <input type="checkbox"/> in the spotlight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> keep to oneself | <input type="checkbox"/> stress out |
| <input type="checkbox"/> lean towards | |

Great! Now I know _____ useful expressions.

More useful expressions I have learned in this unit are:

I CAN

- describe housing.
- talk about personality.
- use indirect speech.

I CAN EVEN

- write an informal email to my friend.

Next Unit