

SOLUTIONS INTERMEDIATE 2
UNIT 4: HOME
4A

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**HOW DO YOU
DESCRIBE YOUR
IDEAL HOME?**



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BUNGALOW: A HOUSE THAT IS ALL ON ONE LEVEL, WITHOUT STAIRS.





DETACHED HOUSE: NOT JOINED TO ANY OTHER HOUSE.





TERRACED: FORMING PART OF A LINE OF SIMILAR HOUSES THAT ARE ALL JOINED TOGETHER.





MANSION





SEMI DETACHED HOUSE





**THATCHED COTTAGE: HAVING A ROOF
MADE OF STRAW.**






FLAT





1  2.02 **VOCABULARY** Look at the photos. What types of homes are they? Listen and choose from the words below. What type of home do you live in?

Types of home bungalow detached house farmhouse flat houseboat mansion
mobile home semi-detached house terraced house thatched cottage villa

2 SPEAKING Which of the homes in the photos would you most like to live in? Why? In your opinion, what are the advantages and disadvantages of living in each type of home?



CONSERVATORY





DRIVE





HEDGE





PATIO





CELLAR






FLOWER BED





SHUTTERS



- 3  2.03 **VOCABULARY** Work in pairs. Listen to the words below. Put them into two groups: those that are more likely to be a) part of a house and b) in a garden.

Parts of a house and garden attic balcony basement cellar conservatory
drive extension fence flower bed garage gate hall hedge landing
lawn path patio pond porch shutters sliding doors stairs swimming pool

Parts of a house: attic, ...

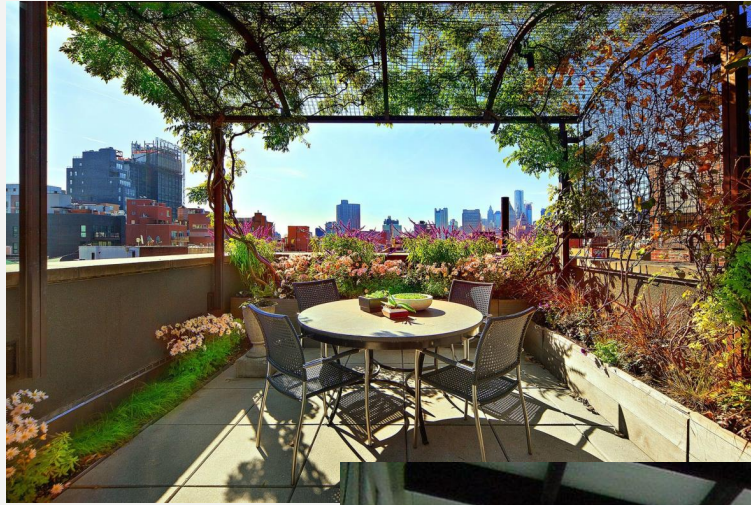
4 How many more rooms and other parts of a house or garden can you think of?



















5 Which is the odd one out? Explain why. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

1 cellar basement attic

2 detached house bungalow mansion

3 lawn path porch


4 detached house semi-detached house terraced house

5 fence gate hedge

6 houseboat mobile home villa

7 pond swimming pool patio

8 cottage houseboat farmhouse

6  2.04 Listen to an estate agent showing someone round a house. Which seven parts of the house are mentioned in the dialogue?



CONTEMPORARY





MADNESS
&
Method

CRAMPED

MADNESS
&
Method



DILAPIDATED




7 VOCABULARY Match nine of the words below with meanings 1–8. Check the meaning of all the words.


Describing houses and rooms beautifully restored
charming contemporary conveniently located
cosy cramped dilapidated impressive
peaceful popular / lively area remote spacious
substantial tiny

- 1 uncomfortably small
- 2 very small
- 3 quiet
- 4 far from other places

- 5 modern
- 6 in a good location
- 7 in very bad condition
- 8 large (two words)


8  **2.04** Listen again. Complete the sentences with words and phrases from the list in exercise 7.

- 1 It's _____ near to the shops.
- 2 We're in a very _____ of town.
- 3 On the right is the living room. _____, isn't it?
- 4 'It's _____.' 'It certainly isn't _____, but I wouldn't say it's _____.'
- 5 The back fence is very _____.
- 6 There's a _____ view from the window.
- 7 It could be _____.

- 9  **2.05** Listen to four people describing their homes. Match sentences a–e with speakers 1–4. There is one extra sentence.

This home:

- a is not as modern as the owners would like. ____
- b did not cost very much. ____
- c is very dilapidated. ____
- d has got wonderful views. ____
- e is in a remote location. ____


10  2.05 **SPEAKING** Listen again. What types of home were described in exercise 9? Which one appeals to you most? Which appeals least? Why?



**I DIDN'T FIND ...
SPACIOUS HOUSES
AROUND HERE.**



**I DIDN'T FIND ANY
SPACIOUS HOUSES
AROUND HERE.**




**I FOUND ...
HOUSES WITH
CONTEMPORARY
ARCHITECTURE
STYLE.**



**I FOUND
SOME/MANY
HOUSES WITH
CONTEMPORARY
ARCHITECTURE
STYLE.**

RECYCLE! *some, any, much and many*

- We use *some* in affirmative sentences.
- We use *any* in negative sentences and questions.
- We use *much* with uncountable nouns and *many* with plural countable nouns.

11  **2.05** Read the **Recycle!** box. Circle the correct words to complete the sentences. Then listen again and check.

- 1
 - a It was in a pretty poor state and needed **some** / **any** work doing on it.
 - b Unfortunately, there aren't **some** / **any** spaces for boats near the centre.
- 2
 - a You reach it through **some** / **any** glass sliding doors from the living room.
 - b Unfortunately, my parents don't earn **much** / **many** money, so we can't afford to move.
- 3 There aren't **much** / **many** people living nearby.
- 4 They also need to insulate the roof so we don't waste **some** / **any** energy.

12 SPEAKING Work in pairs. Describe your home to your partner. Use the phrases below to help you.

Describing where you live

It's a flat / detached house / terraced house.

It's in the town centre / on the outskirts / in the suburbs.

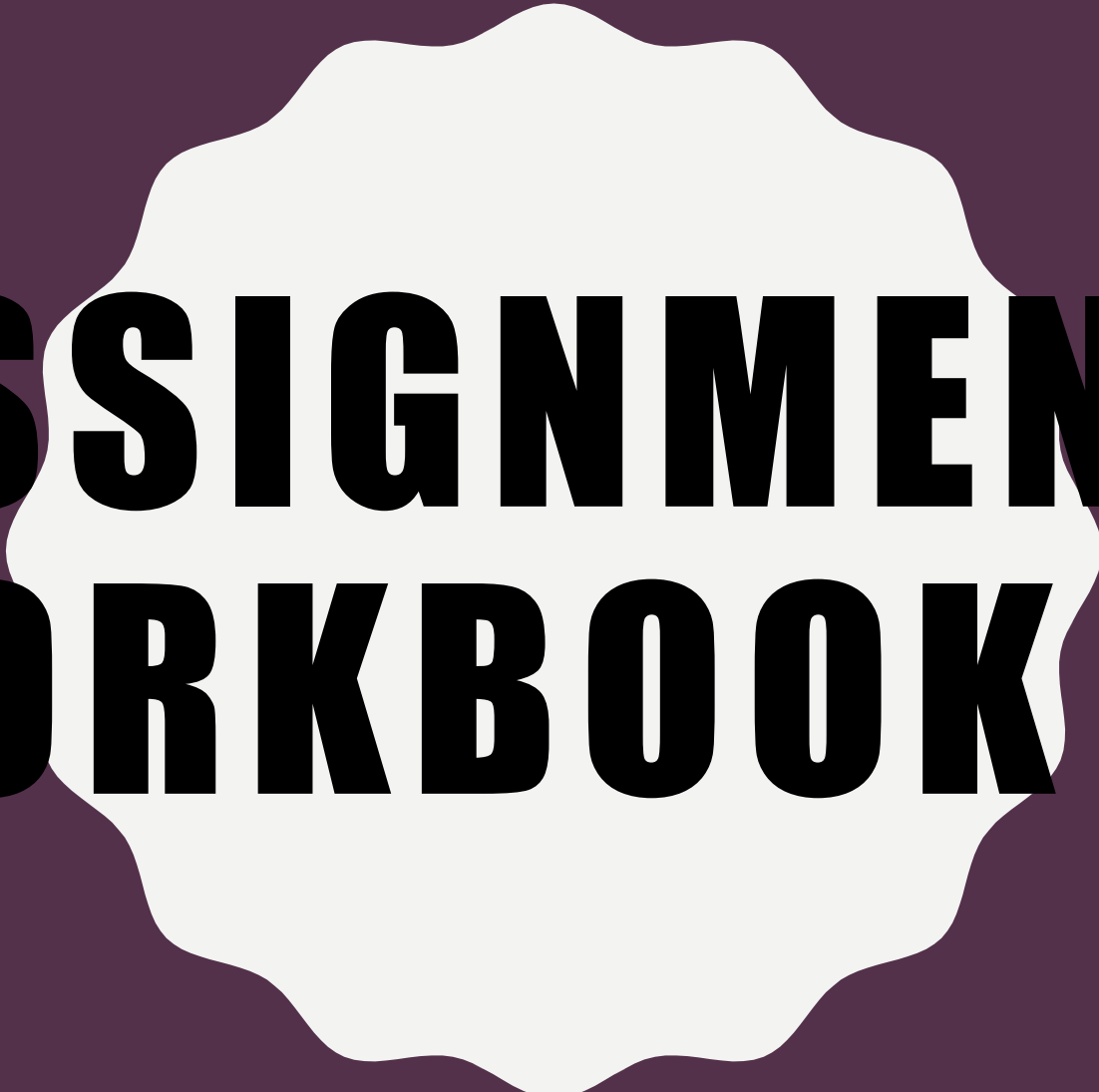
There's a park / There are some shops nearby.

It's got ... (bedrooms).

There is ... (other rooms).

There's / There isn't a garden / drive, etc.

It's a bit / very (adjective).



**ASSIGNMENT:
WORKBOOK 4A**

DEADLINE: SUNDAY