LIFESKILLS

Are the utilities included?

Before You Watch

A. Look at the picture. Complete each sentence.

1. The sign is for _____an apartment_____ for rent.
2. The rent is _____$850_____ a month.
3. _____Electricity_____ is included in the rent.

While You Watch

B. Watch the video. Complete the dialog. Use the words in the box.

electricity	garbage	parking	rent	~~utilities~~

Naomi: That's good. What about electricity and water? Are the (1) _____utilities_____ included in the rent?

Apartment Manager: Yes, some utilities are included. Water and (2) _____garbage_____ are included, but you have to pay for the electricity. Do you want to make an appointment to come look at the apartment? It has a very nice view. I'm sure you'll like it.

Naomi: Well… How much is the (3) _____rent_____?

Apartment Manager: It's only $900 a month—plus electricity. But the (4) _____parking_____ is free!

Naomi: Um, I don't have a car. Well, let's see… $900 a month, plus (5) _____electricity_____…

Check Your Understanding

C. Match the questions and answers.

1. Do you have any apartments for rent? → c
2. How much is the rent? → e
3. Are the utilities included? → a
4. Do you allow any pets? → b
5. Does the building have a garage? → d

a. Water is included, but you have to pay for electricity.
b. Dogs are allowed, but cats aren't.
c. Yes, we have two apartments for rent.
d. No, you have to park on the street.
e. The rent is $900 a month.

Review

Learner Log

I can name different types of housing.
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

I can name parts of a home.
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

A. Read the classified ads.

WORKPLACE CONNECTION
Exercise B: Collect and organize information.

News Observer

Sunday, October 1

1 HOUSE FOR RENT

2 bed, 2 bath hse.
all utls pd, large 2-car garage, lge backyard.
$1,450 a month.
Call Pat to see:
555-3444

2 APT. FOR RENT

3 bed, 1 bath apt.
2nd floor, balcony, furn., no pets, nr park and recreation.
$800 lease.
Call Pedro 555-3467.

3 CONDO FOR RENT

2 bed, 1 bath, utls pd, pool and spa, a/c.
$950.
555-5877

4 FOR RENT

Mobile home nr schools, 1st month rent paid, all utls pd, 2 bed, 1 bath, no pets, pool.
Good management, **$650.**
Call Jackie
555-1301

5 NEW LISTING

FOR RENT
1 bed, 1 bath apt.
nr college, carport, $600. Call 555-4454.

6 HOUSE FOR RENT

5395 Raymond Circle.
Beautiful house.
2 bed, 1 bath, garage.
$1,500.
Call Eva 555-5600.

B. Cover the ads above so you can't see them. Ask your partner questions about the ads and write the information below. Then, your partner covers the ads and asks questions.

What kind of housing is it?	How many bedrooms are there?	How many bathrooms are there?	Is it near anything?	How much is the rent?
1. house	2	2		$1,450
2. apartment	3	1	park	$800
3. condominium	2	1		$950
4. mobile home	2	1	schools	$650
5. apartment	1	1	college	$600
6. house	2	1		$1,500

Learner Log

I can read classified ads. ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

I can find a home to rent. ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

C. Study the words. Complete the chart with the words.

kitchen, pool, hall, sofa, bathtub, balcony, porch, driveway, deck, refrigerator

Inside	Outside
kitchen	pool
hall	balcony
sofa	porch
bathtub	driveway
refrigerator	deck

D. Look at the picture and complete the sentences.

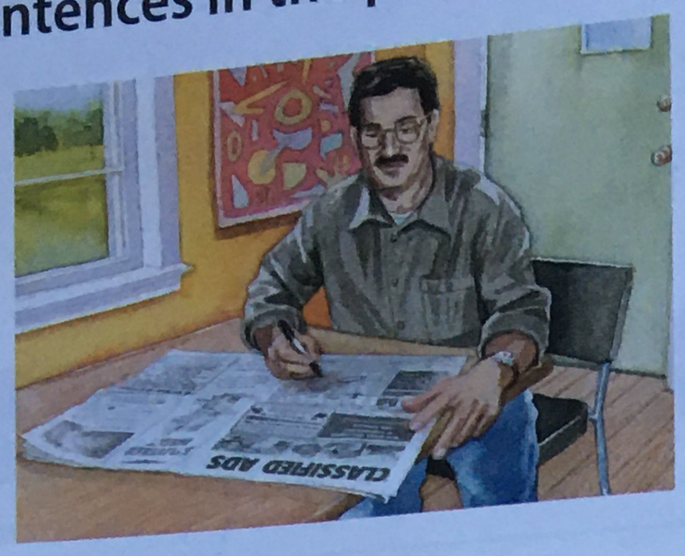
1. The cat is under the sofa.
2. The lamp is next to the sofa.
3. The sofa is between the end table and the lamp.
4. The book is on the end table.
5. The painting is over the sofa.

I can name types of furniture.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Maybe

E. Describe the pictures with sentences in the present continuous.

Carmen



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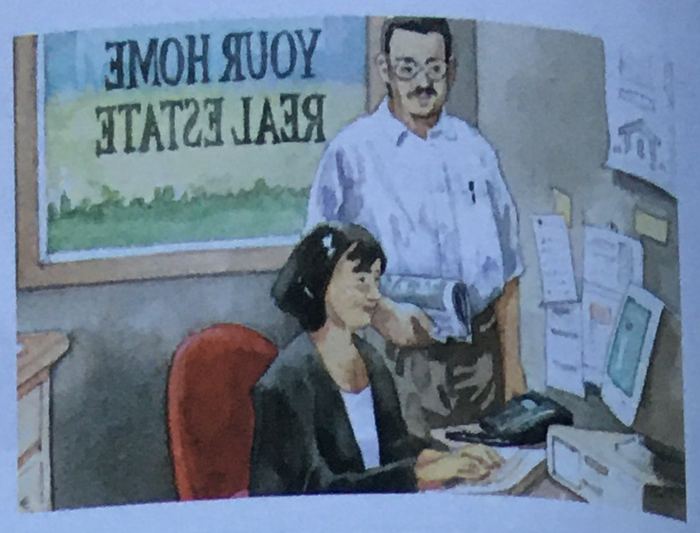

Saud

1. Carmen is calling for an appointment

2. Saud is reading the classified ads

3. Saud is talking to the rental agent

F. Write a conversation about finding a home. Make an appointment to see the home.

Answers will vary.

Owner: Hello. Can I help you?

You: Hello. I'm calling about the apartment for rent.

Owner: How can I help you?

You: How much is the rent, and are utilities included?

Owner: The rent is $1500 a month. Utilities are included.

You: Great! When can I see it?

Owner: How about this afternoon at 3:00?

You: That sounds perfect. See you then.

G. List furniture for each room.

etc.

Answers will vary.

Bedroom	Kitchen	Dining room	Bathroom	Garage	Living room
bed	stove	dining set	tub	car	sofa
dresser	sink	cabinet	toilet	work bench	armchair
lamp	refrigerator	rug	sink	tools	coffee table
rug	table + chairs	dishes	shower	boxes	end table