

8 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

American
ENGLISH FILE 1

GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the sentences with the correct word or phrase.

Example: We went to Rome last week.
were went go

- 1 "Did they enjoy the party?" "Yes, they ____."
enjoyed did enjoy did
- 2 Yesterday ____ Saturday. Today is Sunday.
didn't didn't was was
- 3 I ____ a great movie last night.
saw 'm seeing see
- 4 ____ the football game yesterday?
You watched Did you watch Watched you
- 5 Sally ____ a book on the train.
readed read red
- 6 Where ____ Jimmy this morning?
was were did
- 7 I ____ my iPod last week.
lose lost losed
- 8 What time ____ Mr. Carter leave?
was is did

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- 2 Use the words to write positive (+) and negative (-) sentences and questions (?) with *there is / there are*. Add *some, any, a* where necessary.

Example: a store in the town (?)

Is there a store in the town?

- 1 a swimming pool in the yard (+)

- 2 ghosts in the house (-)

- 3 cupboards in the kitchen (?)

- 4 a shower in the bathroom (?)

- 5 a television in the bedroom (-)

- 6 schools near our new house (+)

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- 3 Underline the correct word.

Example: There wasn't / weren't any food on the table.

- 1 Was there **any** / **a** TV in your hotel room?
- 2 There **was** / **were** a good movie on TV last night.
- 3 Are there **any** / **a** guests at the hotel?
- 4 There **were** / **was** a lot of people at the party.
- 5 **Were** / **Was** there a good restaurant near the hotel?
- 6 "Was there a ghost in your room?" "No, there **wasn't** / **weren't**."

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

- 4 Underline the correct word or phrase.

Example: We drove from / to Boston to Cambridge.

- 1 Don't run **into** / **down** the stairs!
- 2 An old man came **up** / **out of** the house.
- 3 The bookshelves are **next to** / **between** the sofa.
- 4 Don't stand **behind** / **in front of** the TV. I'm trying to watch this show.
- 5 Put those books **in** / **over** the cupboard.
- 6 I opened the door and walked **into** / **on** the room.
- 7 Our house is **in front** / **across from** the park.
- 8 She put her purse **out of** / **into** her bag.

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- 5 Write the past simple form of the verbs.

Example: do did

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|--------|-------|----------|-------|
| 1 find | _____ | 7 fall | _____ |
| 2 get | _____ | 8 drive | _____ |
| 3 hear | _____ | 9 speak | _____ |
| 4 wear | _____ | 10 write | _____ |
| 5 take | _____ | 11 sit | _____ |
| 6 say | _____ | 12 think | _____ |

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6 Find the odd word out.

Example: fridge armchair washing machine
stove

- 1 floor ceiling sofa wall
- 2 bed bath shower mirror
- 3 living room dining room shelf garage
- 4 armchair sofa couch cupboard
- 5 bedroom yard living room kitchen
- 6 study hall balcony stairs

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Vocabulary total		20
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PRONUNCIATION

7 Find the word with a different sound.

Example: thought taught bought could

- 1 woke wrote drove lost
- 2 killed wanted closed loved
- 3 gave saw take became
- 4 died read went said
- 5 got was lost sat

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8 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: car|pet

- 1 bed|room
- 2 ki|tchen
- 3 a|cross
- 4 be|hind
- 5 in|to

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Pronunciation total		10
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8 Reading and Writing **A**American
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READING

1 Read the ads and check (✓) A, B, or C.

HOUSES TO RENT

26 Downland Street is a small house just two minutes from the library and ten minutes from the center of town.

Downstairs, there is a living room, a small dining room and a modern kitchen. Upstairs, there are two bedrooms and a large bathroom. The house is over 100 years old, but it has a new central heating system. There is a pretty yard, which is easy to look after, and a garage next to the yard. This house is on a small, quiet road of only six houses.

142 Oceanview Avenue is an attractive old house on the coast road with parking space for three or four cars. There aren't any neighbors close by, and it's a five-minute walk from Burntown Beach. Downstairs there's a living room, a dining room, and a very big kitchen. There's also a library, so it's great for someone who likes reading. There is no central heating, but each room has a fireplace, and the house is very warm. Upstairs there are four bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a shower room. The bedrooms are freshly painted and have new carpets and furniture. They all have large balconies and fantastic views of the ocean.

37 Redcliffe Road is a townhouse and is only ten years old. Redcliffe is across from the train station, and there are regular trains to New York City. The house has a large living room, a kitchen, and a dining room downstairs. On the second floor there are two bedrooms and a really lovely bathroom. There is another bedroom and a small study on the top floor. In front of the house there is a small yard and a space to park a car on the street. There is a big park nearby, so it's great for anyone with children. It's a little bit more expensive, but it's a really nice family house.

Example: 26 Downland Street is a new house.

A True ☐ B False ☒ C Doesn't say ☐

- Downland Street is far from the town center.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- The bedrooms are small in 26 Downland Street.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Oceanview Avenue is close to the ocean.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- There isn't any furniture in 142 Oceanview Avenue.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 142 Oceanview Avenue has a big garage for 3–4 cars.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 37 Redcliffe Road has three bedrooms.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

7 It is easy to get to New York City from Redcliffe Road.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

8 Redcliffe Road is near a school.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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2 Read the ads again. Write *Downland*, *Oceanview*, or *Redcliffe* next to each sentence.

Example: There are eleven rooms. *Oceanview*

- You can park in the garage. _____
- It's a modern house. _____
- There is more than one bathroom. _____
- You can hear trains. _____
- It has central heating. _____
- It doesn't have any close neighbors. _____
- There's a special room where you can work at the top of the house. _____

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Reading total

15

WRITING

Describe your house / apartment. Answer these questions, then write a text. (75–100 words)

- Do you live in a city / town / village?
- Do you have a house or an apartment?
- Who lives with you?
- How many rooms are there in your house / apartment? What are they?
- Is there a big yard?
- Are the neighbors nice / friendly / noisy ...?
- What is there near your house?

I live in a ...

Writing total

10

Reading and Writing total

25

8 Listening and Speaking **A**

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to a police officer interviewing a woman about a robbery. Check (✓) A, B, or C.
- The robbery happened at about _____.
A five o'clock ☐ B half past three ☐
C three o'clock ☐
 - The man with dark hair was about _____ years old.
A twenty-eight ☐ B eighteen ☐
C thirty ☐
 - _____ went into the kitchen.
A The tall man ☐ B Both men ☐
C The short man ☐
 - They took the woman's _____.
A credit cards ☐ B wallet ☐ C bag ☐
 - She lost _____.
A \$50 ☐ B \$15 ☐ C \$150 ☐
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- 2 Listen to five people talking about where they live. Underline the correct answer.
- Coral has a cottage **in the country** / on the coast.
 - There isn't a **dining room** / study in Nick's apartment.
 - There were **six** / eight bedrooms in Danny's parents' house.
 - Gemma lives in a house with a **green** / blue door.
 - Kate's favorite room is the **kitchen** / living room.

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Listening total 10

SPEAKING

- 1 Ask your partner about his / her home.
- Do you live in an apartment?
 - Is your house / apartment in a nice part of town?
 - Why do you like living there?
 - Which is your favorite room?
 - What color is your kitchen?
 - Do you want to live in a different place? Why?
- Now answer your partner's questions about your home.
- 2 Ask your partner about his / her famous house.
- What / address?
 - How old?
 - Where?
 - How many / rooms?
 - Who / live there?
 - Can / visit / garden?
- 3 Read the information about a famous house and answer your partner's questions.

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

where – center of Washington
home of – President of the USA
how old – about 210 years old
rooms – 132
visit garden – yes

Speaking total 15

Listening and Speaking total 25