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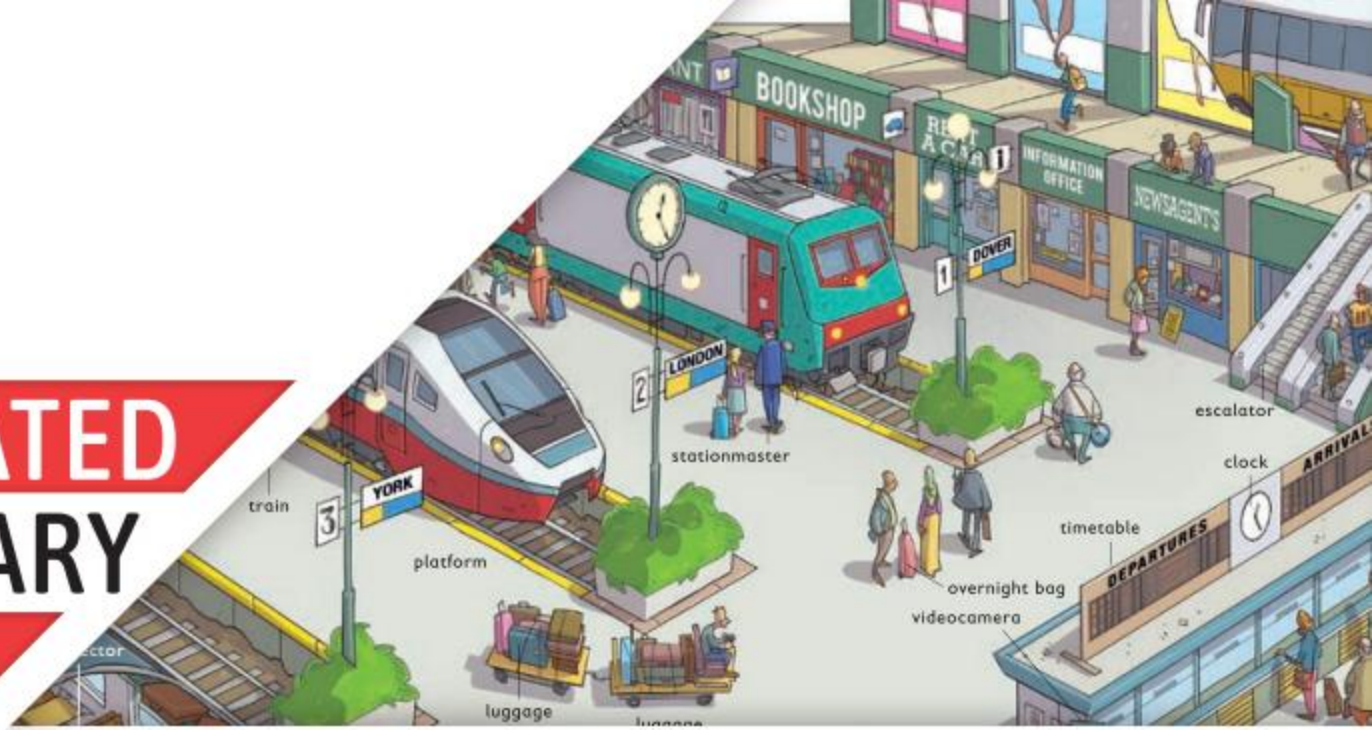
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Attractive illustrations

**20 The clothes shop**

I'd like a raincoat ☹️  
 Good morning, how can I help you?  
 Good morning, I'd like to buy a raincoat, do you have any?  
 Certainly! Would you like to see one? We have waterproof leathers in a lot of different colours!  
 Yes, please. Is a raincoat still in fashion?  
 If you're interested, these coats are on offer... with an umbrella built in! Which do you prefer?  
 I understand... But we have these very fashionable shirts... Would you like to try one?  
 Yes, thank you... in the moment I'm not really interested, I just need a raincoat.  
 When about a nice winter coat, with the cold weather coming next? This blue one would be great for you.  
 Yes, thank you. I don't really use winter coats.  
 Maybe an overcoat?  
 Yes.  
 A quilted jacket?  
 Yes.  
 A raincoat? It looks good!  
 Please! I just want a raincoat, thank you.  
 Alright, but listen... our raincoats have been a great success...  
 Yes?  
 Yes... we're sold out!  
 But we have some great jackets, shirts...  
 I'll take this one.

**A closer look**  
 Parts and accessories  
 jacket, shirt, blouse, tie, glasses, sunglasses, earrings, necklace, ring, watch, bracelet, scarf, hat, gloves, sunglasses, earrings, necklace, ring, watch, bracelet.

**Idioms**  
 To wear one's heart on one's sleeve  
 (To openly display one's emotions)  
 It's so easy to tell when they're happy or upset... he wears his heart on his sleeve!  
 To borrow the parrot strings  
 (To borrow money or favour when spending money)  
 I always lend my car to my friend when he needs it, but I decided paying the mortgage on the house then I borrowed the parrot strings a little.  
 To be in somebody's shoes  
 (To be in the same or a similar situation as another person)  
 I wouldn't like to be in Jeremy's shoes when his wife finds out how much money he spent on the new car. It cost a fortune!  
 To be on somebody's case  
 (To be very strict with someone about their actions)  
 The teacher has been on my case since I was 10 years old. The other students were much better behaved. As far as I'm concerned, she's never let me off and she's still on my case today.

Lively dialogues with interactive tasks

Thematic idioms



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The **ELI Illustrated Dictionary** presents basic vocabulary in a pleasant and straightforward way, designed to stimulate English language learning for both young students and adults.

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An audio recording of each text is available in **digital format**.

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The final section contains an **alphabetical index** of all the words illustrated and a **thematic index** of idiomatic phrases.

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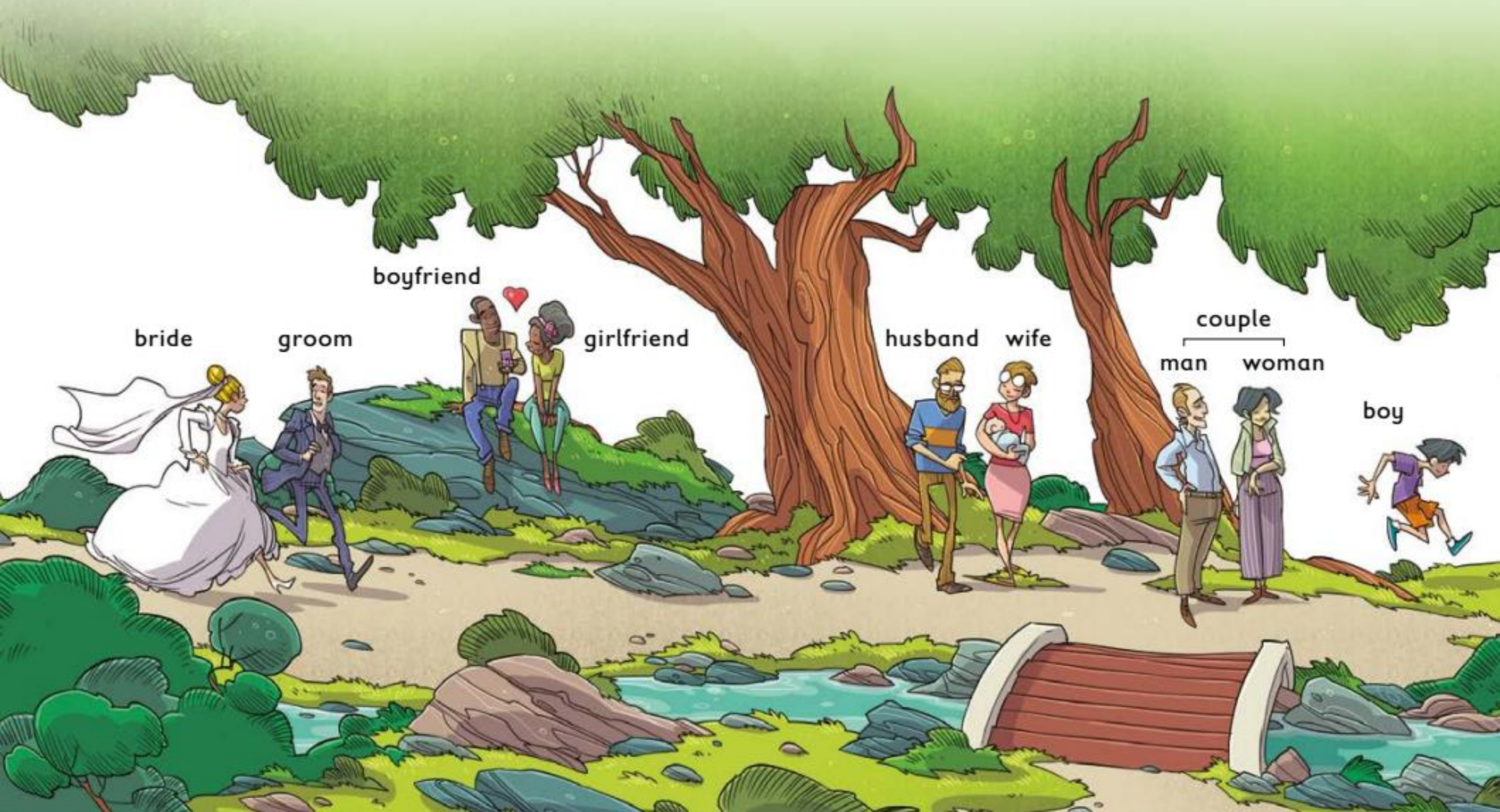
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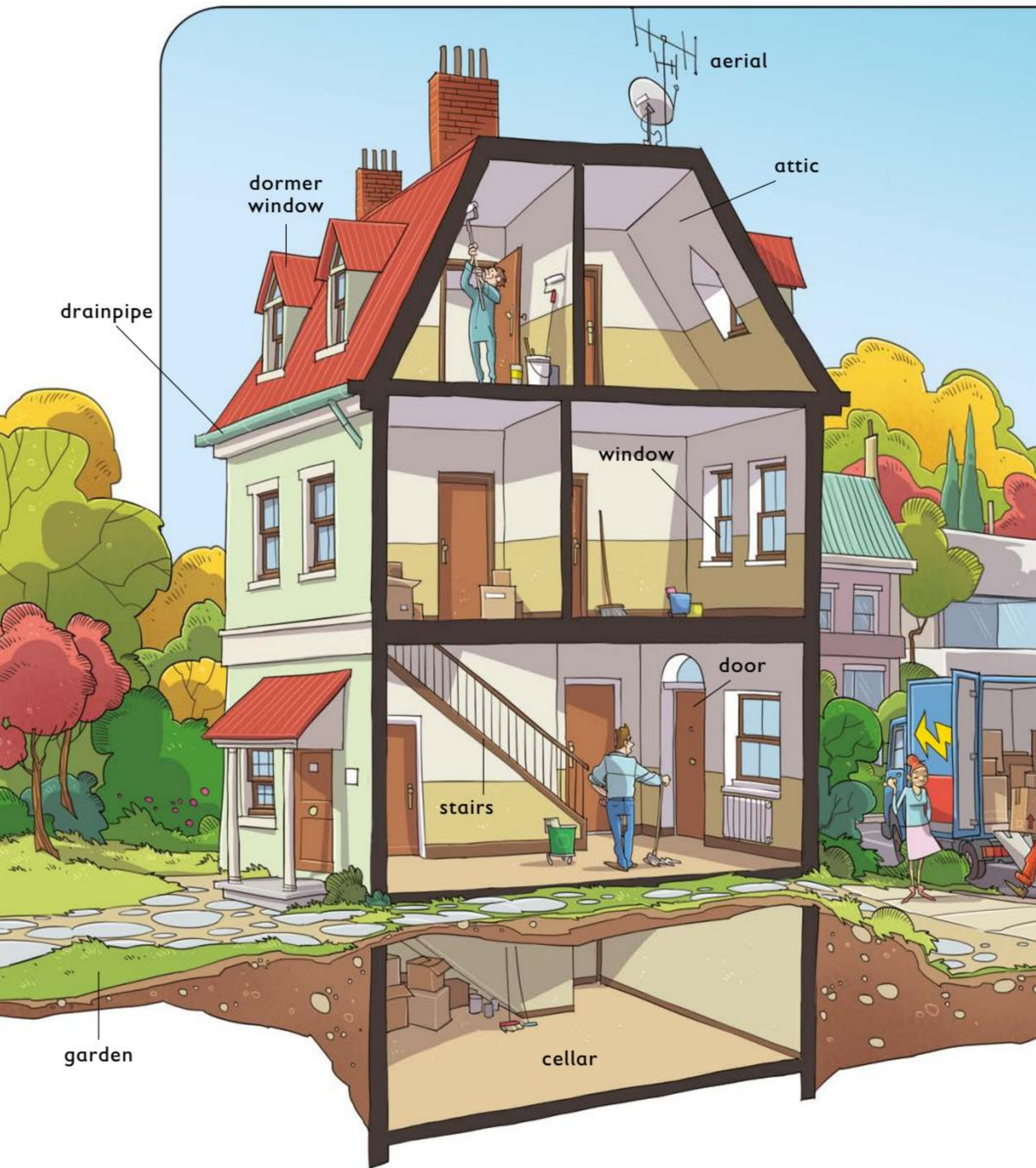


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# 1 At home







key



intercom

doorbell



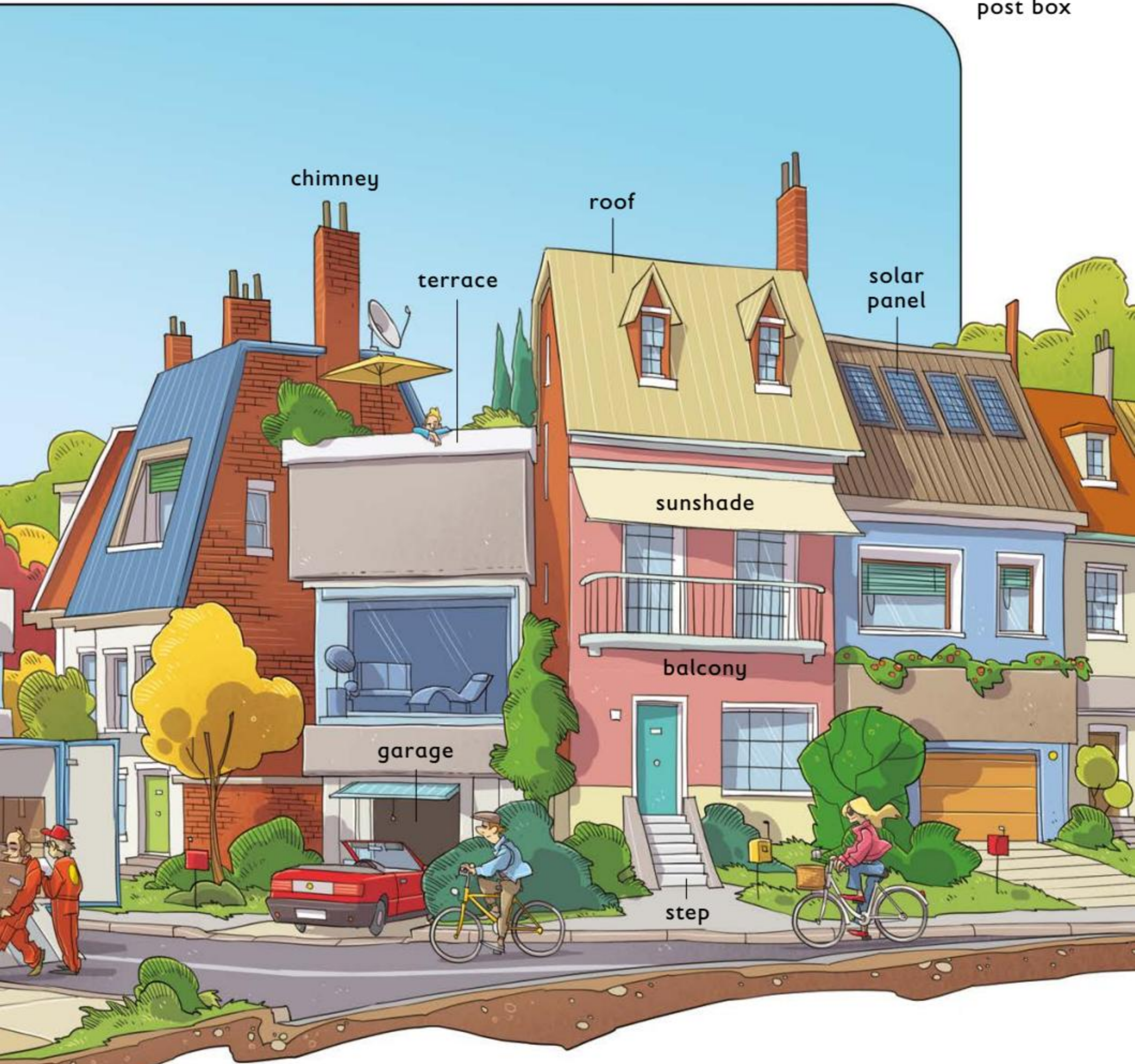
doormat



house number



post box



chimney

roof

terrace

solar panel

sunshade

balcony

garage

step

flat / apartment



detached house



semi-detached house



terraced house



block of flats



# 1 At home

## A nice house

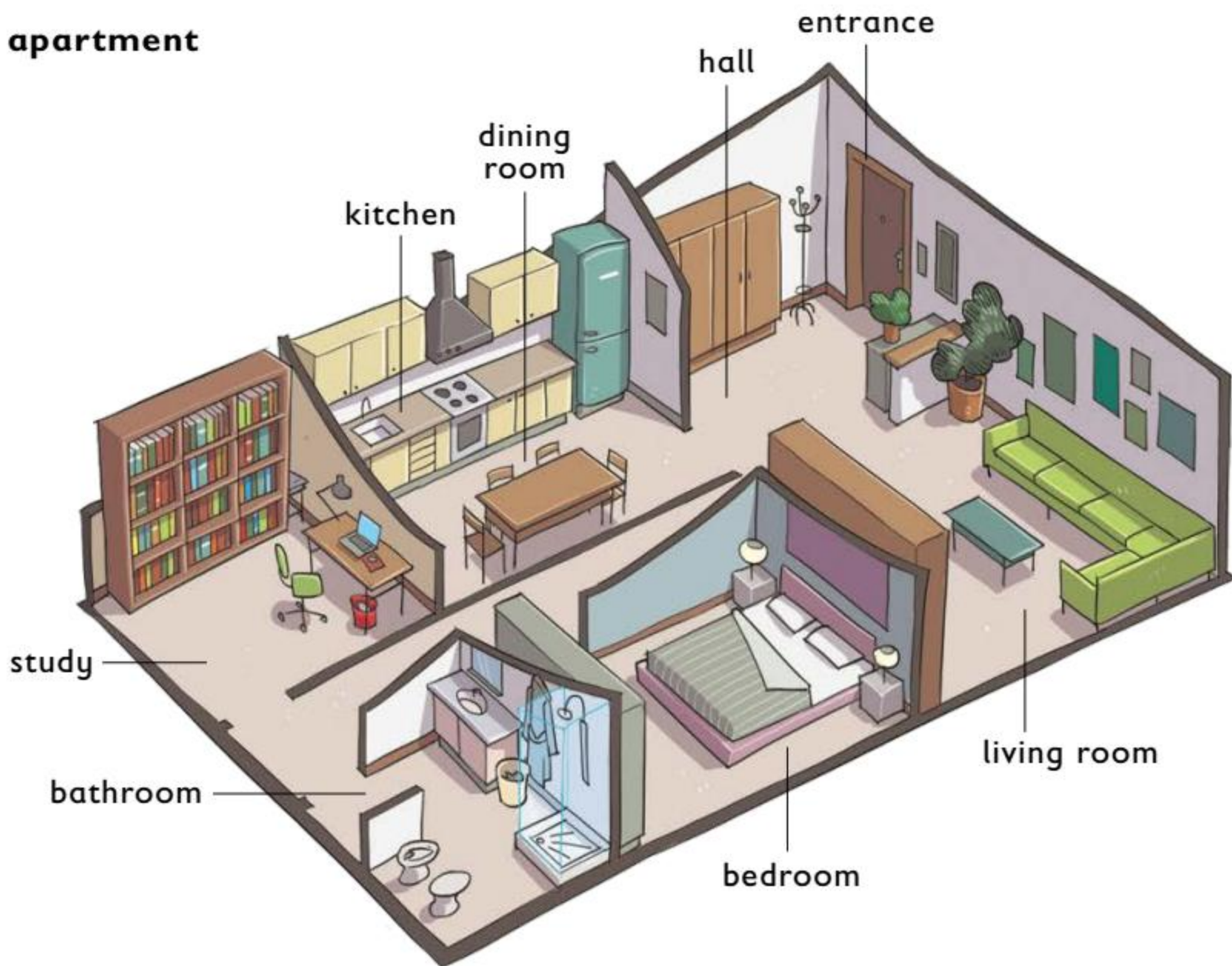
- Good morning. Come in, let me show you the house.
- It's very nice!
- Yes, it is. I'll open the door... please, go inside. This is the entrance.
- It's very spacious!
- And here we have the kitchen and the dining room. The windows face the garden.
- Isn't there a balcony?
- No, there isn't. Look at the bedroom. It's very spacious, isn't it?
- No balcony here either...
- I'm sorry, but the bedroom hasn't got a balcony either! But come with me, here we have the bathroom and the living room, while at the end of the hall there is another room which could be used as a study or a second bedroom.
- It's a very big apartment, but...
- That's not all. Follow me, let's go downstairs.
- Why?
- Because the house has a garage too!
- But there won't be a balcony, surely!
- Of course not! But it's very big... you could use it as a cellar, if you don't have a car.
- Listen, the house is really beautiful, but I don't understand why you're showing it to me!
- Weren't you looking for a house to buy?
- Absolutely not! I'm a student of architecture and I'm working on an essay about balconies!





## A closer look

### The apartment



### Idioms

#### To be as safe as houses

(To be very safe)

*Don't worry, your money is as safe as houses in the bank.*

#### To get on like a house on fire

(To get on very well with someone)

*As soon as they met, Lisa and Jessie got on like a house on fire!*

#### To make oneself at home

(To relax, make oneself comfortable)

*Come in, sit down and make yourself at home!*

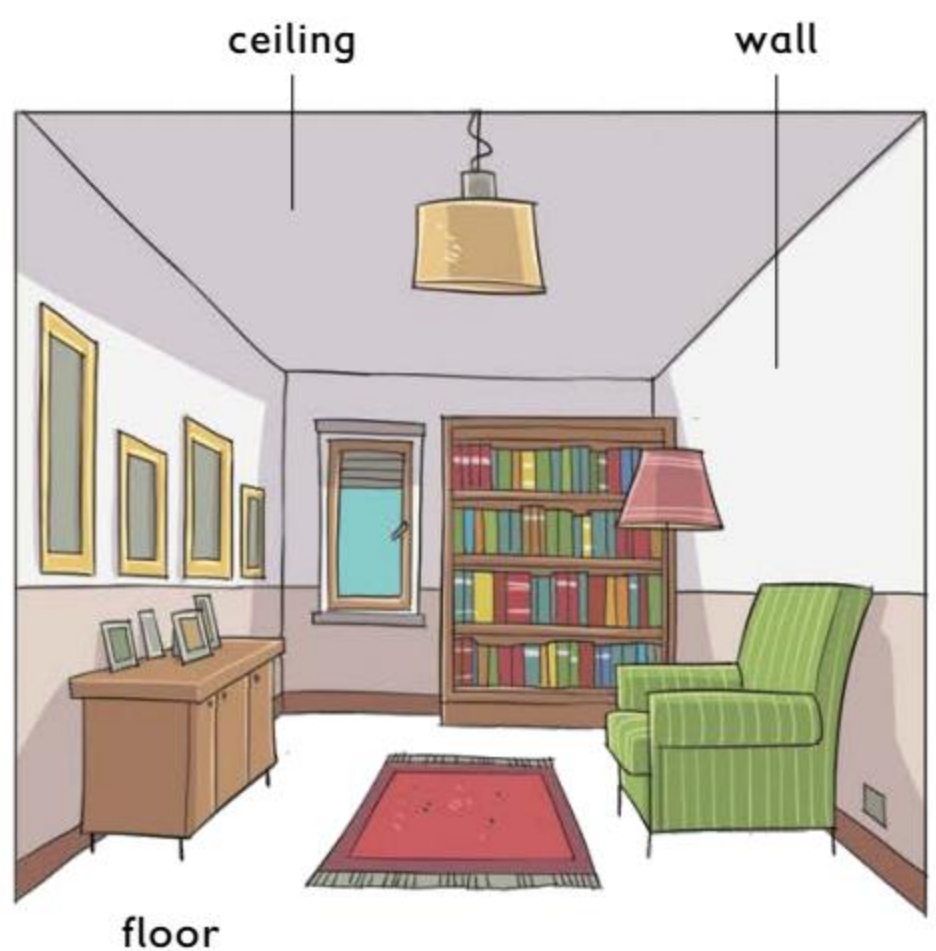
#### On the house

(Free, not to be paid for)

*I've only charged you for the cakes, the coffee is on the house!*

### Details

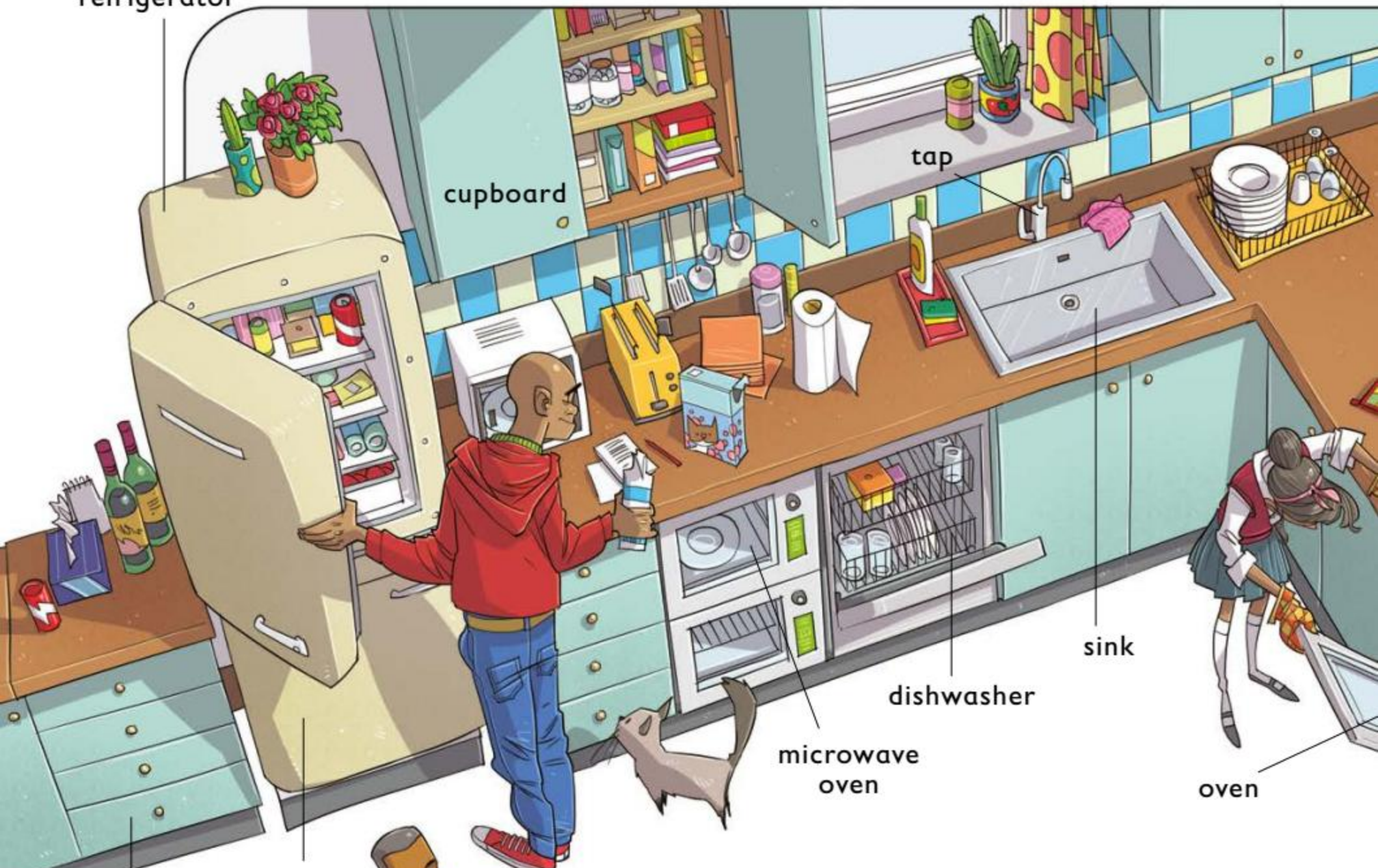
#### The room





# 2 The kitchen

refrigerator



cupboard

tap

sink

dishwasher

microwave oven

oven

drawer

freezer



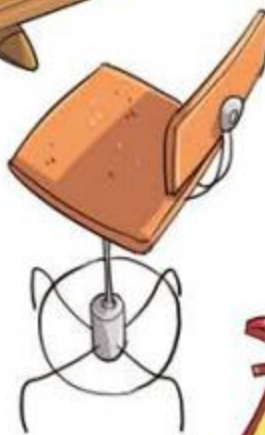
timer



kitchen paper



jar



apron



bin



rubbish bag





toaster



hand-held  
blender



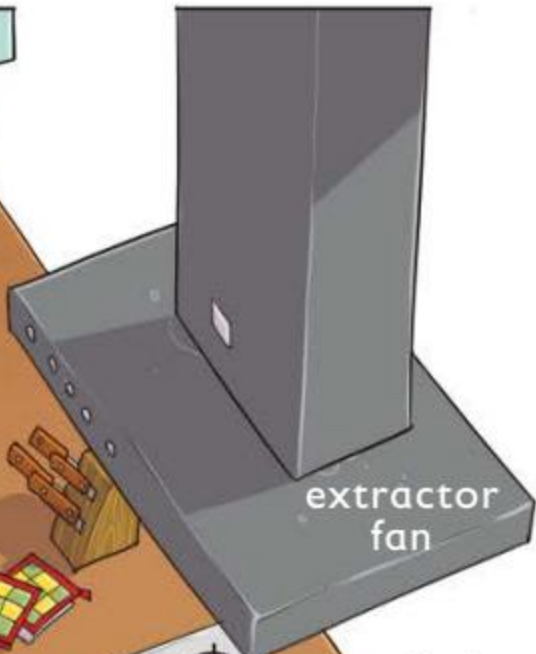
blender



juicer



food mixer



extractor fan



pan



frying pan



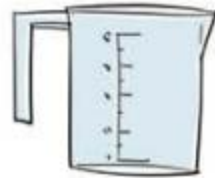
lid



pot holder



casserole dish



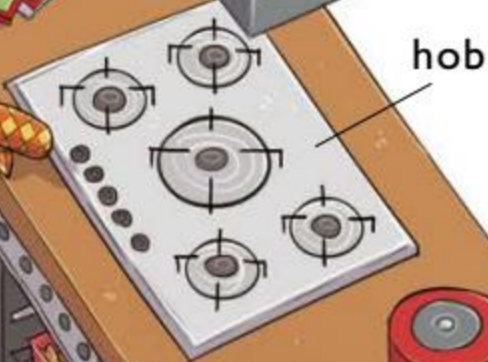
measuring jug



scales



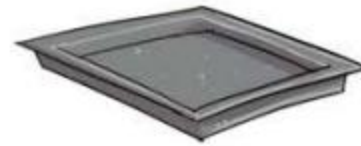
colander



hob



corkscrew



oven tray



oven glove



coffee pot



rolling pin



chopping board



knife



kettle



whisk



grater



bottle opener



vegetable  
peeler



sieve



oven paper



film



aluminium  
foil



ladle



spoon



washing-up liquid



sponge



tea towel



## 2 The kitchen

### Darling, where's the...?

- Darling, where are the scales?
- In the cupboard, behind the colander and the cheese grater.
- I wanted to make a cake, but it's impossible to find anything in this kitchen!
- The kitchen is too small! I say it all the time!
- For example, where are the pot holders?
- They're in the big pan, in the oven.
- In the oven?
- I didn't know where to put it... The pan is big, and the kitchen is small!
- Where is the whisk?
- In the drawer, next to the rolling pin.
- Ah, now I understand why I can never find anything... So, where is the oven glove? With the pot holders?
- No, the oven glove is on the fridge.
- I need the oven tray... but it's not in the oven.
- Of course not! The big pan is in the oven! The oven tray is under the toaster.
- So, where is the measuring jug?
- It's in the freezer.
- The measuring jug... in the freezer?
- It was the only free space! We need a bigger kitchen!
- I agree! Just one last thing: I need the blender.
- The blender is in the microwave.
- I'm sorry, but... I can't find the microwave.
- It's under the sink!
- But... where's the dishwasher?
- Erm... The dishwasher is in the dining room. This kitchen...
- Yes, I get it... this kitchen really is too small!





## A closer look

### In the kitchen



peel



cut



grate



cook



fry



whisk (eggs)



season



wash



liquidize



toast



squeeze



weigh

## Idioms

### Everything but the kitchen sink

(Too many things/a lot of unnecessary things)

*Wow, this bag is so heavy. You've got everything but the kitchen sink in there!*

### Out of the frying pan and into the fire

(To go from one bad situation to one which is even worse)

*Lucy hates her new job. She really jumped out of the frying pan and into the fire when she left her old job!*

### To grill someone

(To question someone in great detail)

*Mrs Smith really grilled David in History today. He was lucky that he remembered to study yesterday!*

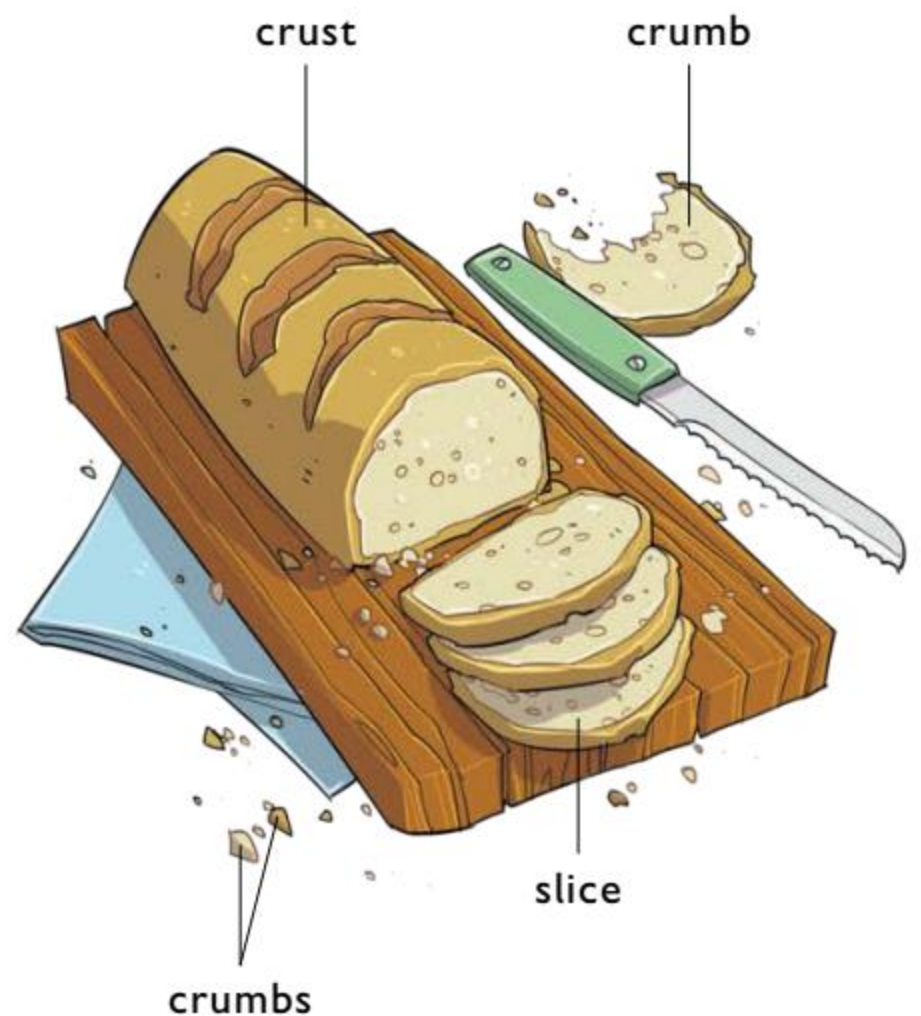
### What's cooking?

(What's going on/happening?)

*Hey Stacie, what's cooking? I'm going to hang out at the park. Do you want to come?*

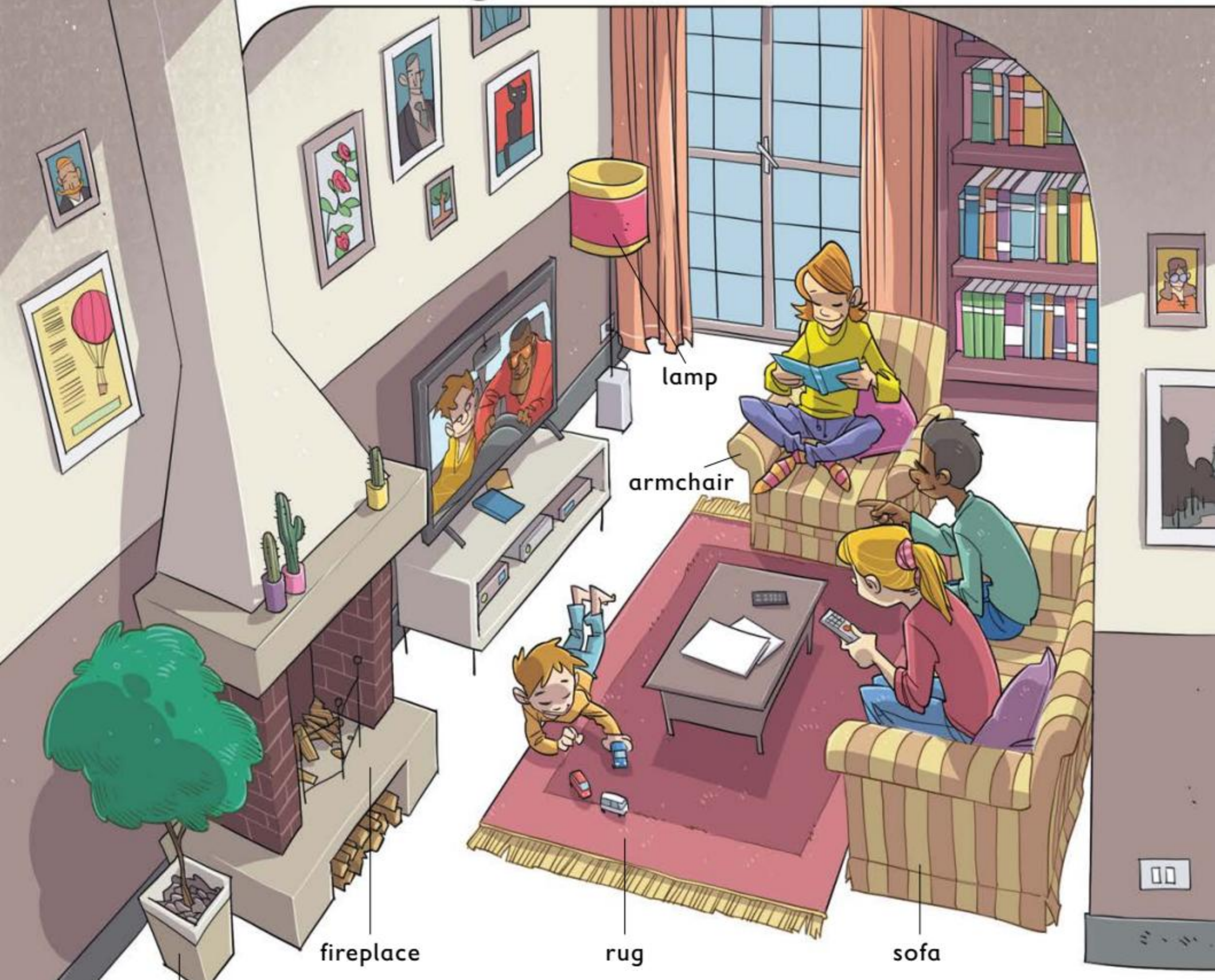
## Details

### Bread





# 3 The living room and the dining room



lamp

armchair

fireplace

rug

sofa

plant pot



cushion



coffee table



picture



lampshade



table



remote control



television



curtain



shelf



chair



bookcase

plant



door

sideboard



plate



dish



side plate



mug



cup



bowl



tablecloth



napkin



bottle



glass



jug



fork



knife



spoon



teaspoon



cutlery



### 3 The living room and the dining room

#### Let's move the furniture

- So Alan, let's put the table and chairs near the bookcase... come on, move them!
- Just a minute, Sarah... they're heavy!
- Then we'll put the sofa in front of the fireplace, okay?
- Yes... but help me!
- I'm helping! I'll bring the cushions!
- All done! I'm so tired... So? Do you like it?
- I don't know! Let's try to put the armchair near the wall.
- It's very heavy...
- And we can put the coffee table in the middle of the room.
- All done!
- Wait! We've forgotten the rug!
- The rug?
- Sure! The rug goes under the coffee table.
- Oh, no!
- I'll move the rug! You lift up the armchair and the sofa!
- Hurry up! They're heavy...!
- Stop complaining! Okay, the rug is in the right place!
- Thank goodness... I'm so tired! We've finished, luckily! Do you like it?
- I don't know... let's put the lamp in the corner and hang the pictures...
- But I'm tired!
- You're always complaining! Put the television there, come on... no, it's too close to the curtain! I'll bring the remote control!
- All done! I can't do any more! What do you think, do you like it?
- Mmm... do you know something?
- What?
- I don't like it! Put it all back the way it was before!
- WHAT?





## A closer look

### In the living room



armrest



sofa-bed



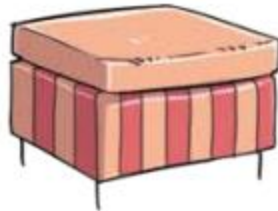
photo-frame



vase of flowers



magazine rack



foot-stool



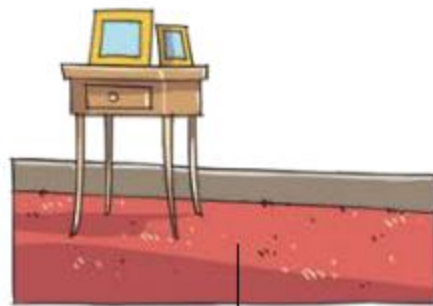
cabinet



candle



ornament



carpet



parquet



wallpaper

## Idioms

### Couch potato

(Someone who is lazy)

*Danny is such a couch potato; all he does is watch TV all day.*

### To roll out the red carpet

(To give someone special treatment)

*Grandma's coming for dinner tonight, so we have to roll out the red carpet!*

### To get the picture

(To understand an idea or a concept)

*The fire alarm started ringing and people were running around everywhere. It was chaos, but I'm sure you get the picture.*

### To sweep something under the carpet

(To hide something which could be embarrassing)

*Sheryl failed her Maths exam again. She tried to sweep it under the carpet, but her parents found out in the end.*

## Details

### The lamp

lampshade

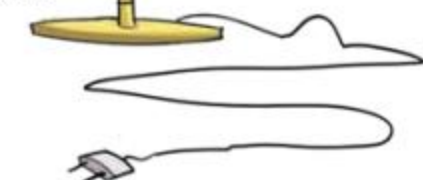


central stand



light bulb

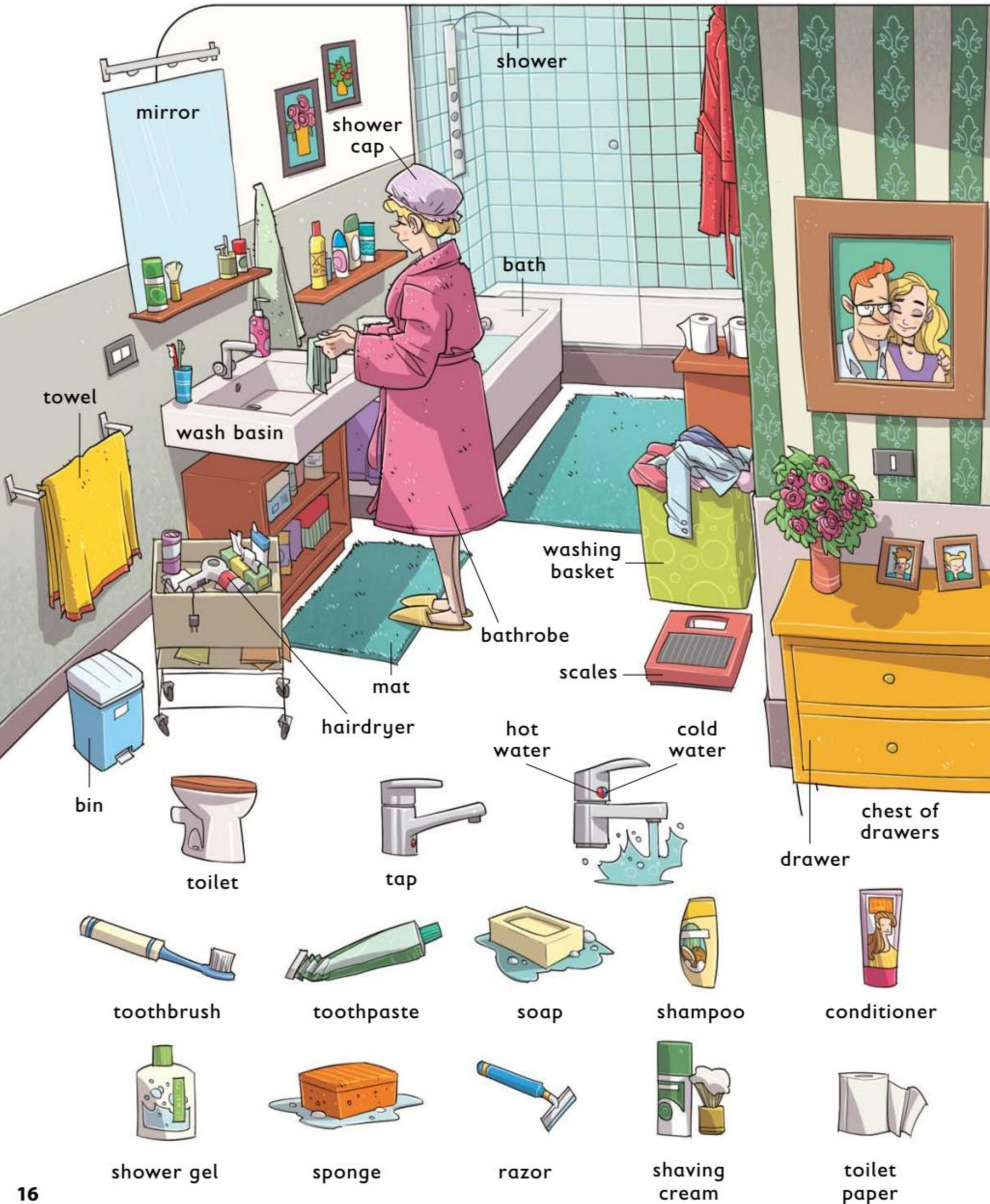
base



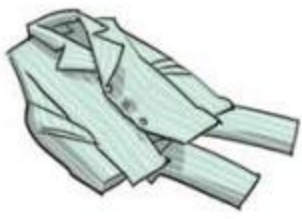
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# 4 The bedroom and the bathroom







pyjamas



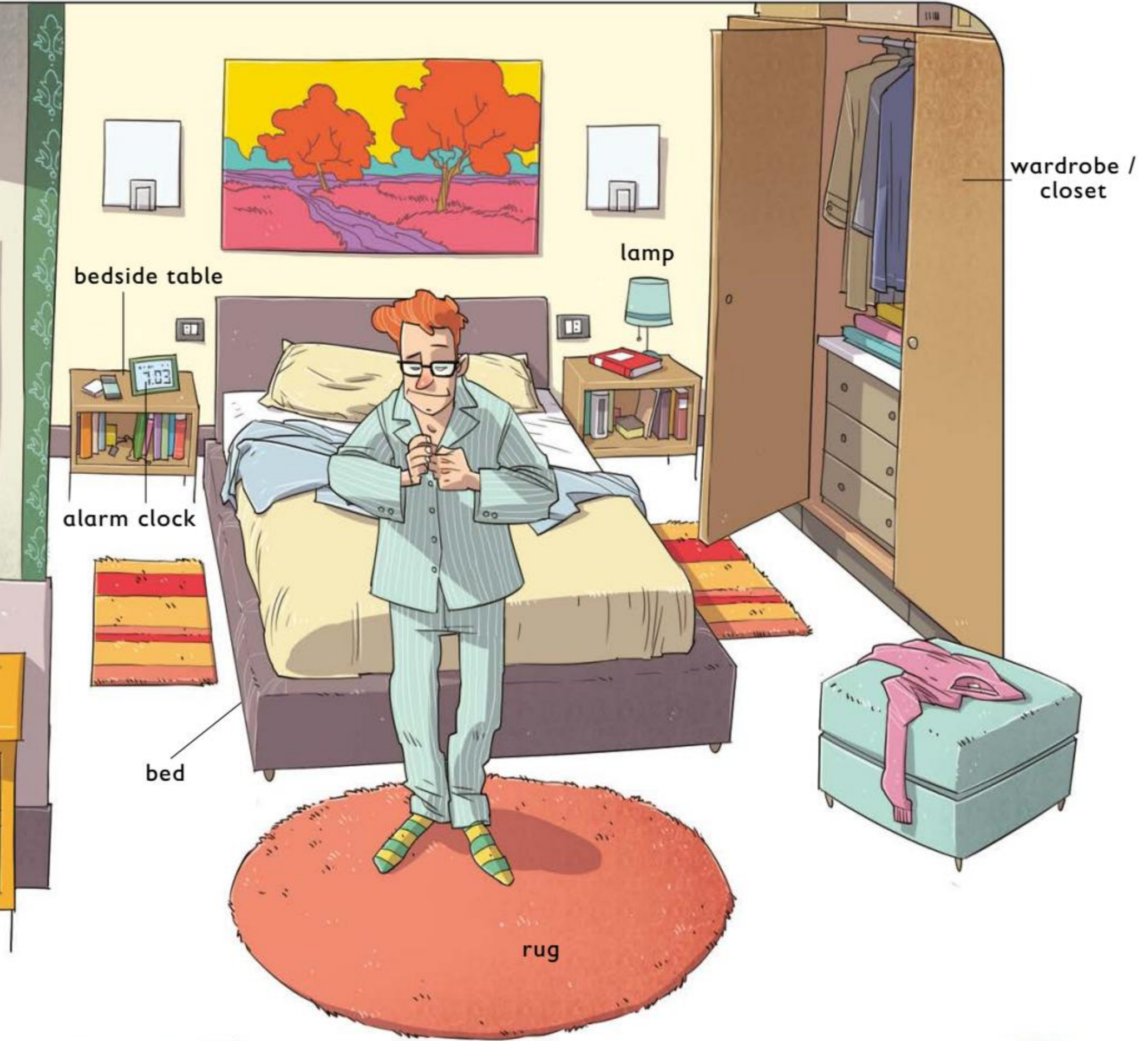
nightdress



dressing gown



slippers



wardrobe / closet

bedside table

lamp

alarm clock

bed

rug



mattress



sheet



pillow



pillowcase



blanket



quilt



quilt cover



lightweight blanket



bedside mat



coat hanger



## 4 The bedroom and the bathroom

I'll do it now!  

- Sandra, where are you?
- I'm in the bathroom, dear! I've just had a shower.
- Will you be long? I'd like to brush my teeth!
- No, just a moment. I'll just put on my dressing gown, then I'll be ready!
- Alright! I'll put my pyjamas on, I'm so tired tonight...
- Just a moment dear... I'll just finish drying my hair. I'll do it now!
- Alright, I'll get my clothes out of the wardrobe, ready for tomorrow.
- Anthony! Tomorrow, remember to buy some shampoo and conditioner: there's none left!
- And toothpaste? Is there any left?
- Just a little! I'll just brush my teeth, I hope there's enough for you too...
- I hope so, dear... I'll set the alarm clock for tomorrow morning and put it on my bedside table, okay?
- Alright...
- Sandra, have you finished?
- Yes dear, I'm just finishing now. I'm putting the towels in the washing basket.
- Sandra...
- Just a moment! I'm washing the basin... and the bath... the sponge goes here... the shower gel here...
- ...
- The mirror is dirty... where's the hairdryer? Ah, here it is!
- ...
- Here I am! Darling, you're already in bed? Dear? Are you asleep? That's right, it's always the same: you're so impatient!





## A closer look

### Daily routine



sleep



dream



wake up



get up



have a wash



have a shower



have a bath



brush one's teeth



shave



dry one's hair



brush one's hair



put on make-up

### Idioms

#### To have a skeleton in the closet

(To have an embarrassing secret)

*Frank is so secretive about his family ...*

*I'm sure he has a skeleton or two in the closet!*

#### To throw out the baby with the bathwater

(To throw away something valuable when you discard something worthless)

*What do you mean, you're giving up on the whole project? Don't throw out the baby with the bathwater, let's look and see if we can make some changes!*

#### To sleep like a log

(To sleep very well/deeply)

*I feel so refreshed; I slept like a log last night!*

#### A bed of roses

(An easy, comfortable situation)

*I can't wait to start my new job. Working part-time will be a bed of roses!*

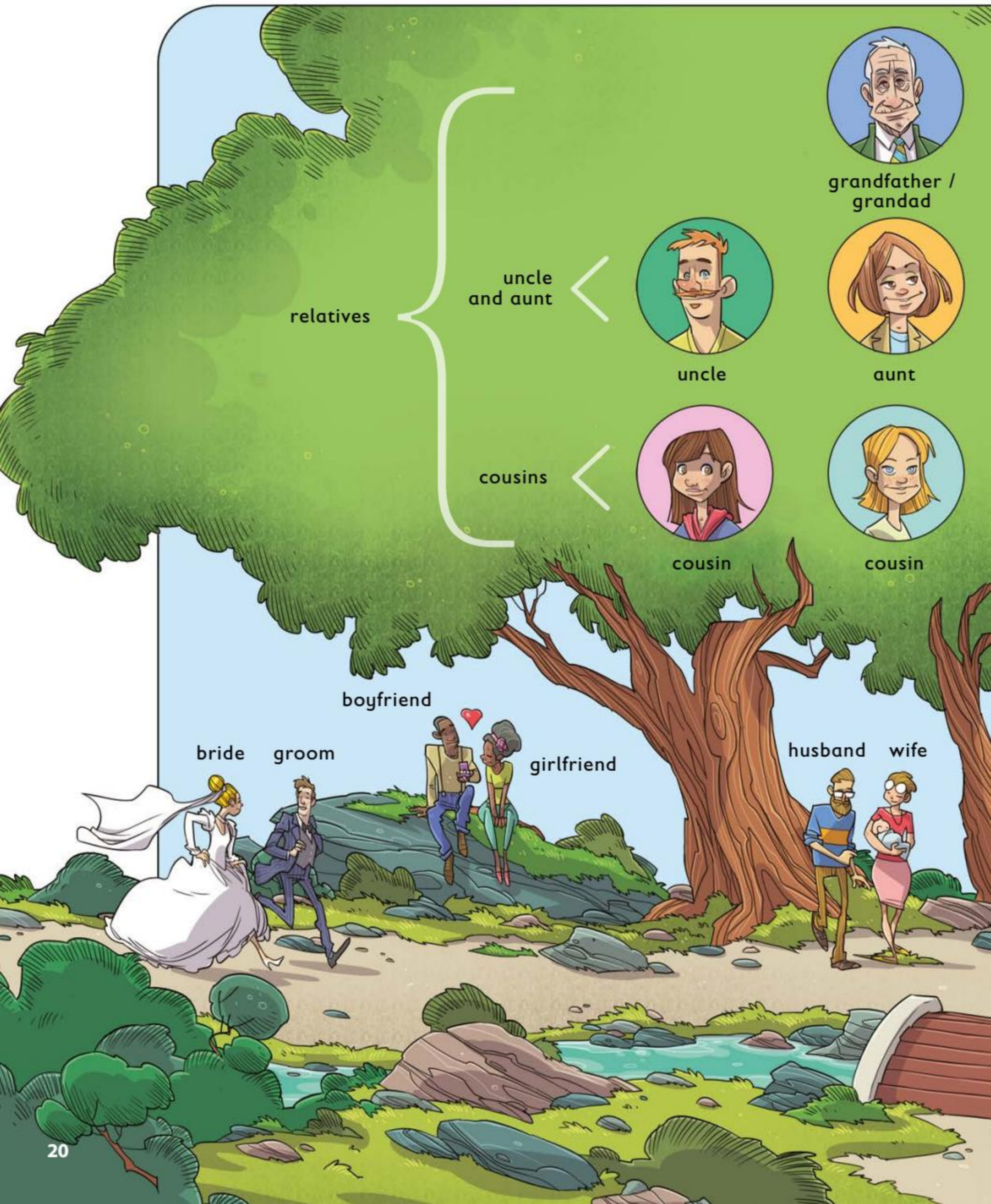
### Details

#### Personal items





# 5 The family



grandfather /  
grandad



uncle



aunt



cousin



cousin

relatives

uncle  
and aunt

cousins

boyfriend

bride

groom

girlfriend

husband

wife





grandparents

grandmother /  
grandma



father/dad



mother/mum

parents



brother



Mark



sister

siblings

couple

man

woman

children

boy

girl



daughter



son



## 5 The family

### Family life

- Grandad, will you tell me a story?
- Sure, which story would you like?
- A story about when my mum was little.
- Alright... when they were little, your mum and your uncle David were very lively and, like most siblings, they often argued.
- Siblings? Uncle David and Mum are brother and sister?!
- Of course! They're our children, mine and grandma's.
- Ah... so, what next?
- Then your mum grew up and she met your dad.
- Great!
- Yes... your grandma and I liked our son-in-law a lot!
- Who?
- Your dad! Your dad is our son-in-law, which means that me and your grandma are his father-in-law and mother-in-law.
- I don't understand...
- Ah! Ah! You're just like your cousin!
- Who?!
- Lucy, your Uncle David and Aunt Anne's daughter, she's your cousin! You and Lucy are our grandchildren. And Anne is our daughter-in-law.
- Daughter-in-law? What does that mean?
- She's our son's wife.
- Grandad, would you tell me a different story, please?
- Why sweetheart?
- Because this story has too many people! I don't understand anything!





## A closer look

### Stages of life



baby



child



teenager



adult



elderly person



fall in love



get engaged



get married



split up

### Idioms

#### Daddy's girl

(A girl who has a good relationship with her dad but is a little spoilt by him)  
*Can you believe it? Jennifer's dad gave her a pony for Christmas. She's a real Daddy's girl!*

#### Like father, like son

(When a child is similar to his dad)  
*Danny is such a joker. He's always making everyone laugh, just like his dad. Like father, like son!*

#### The black sheep of the family

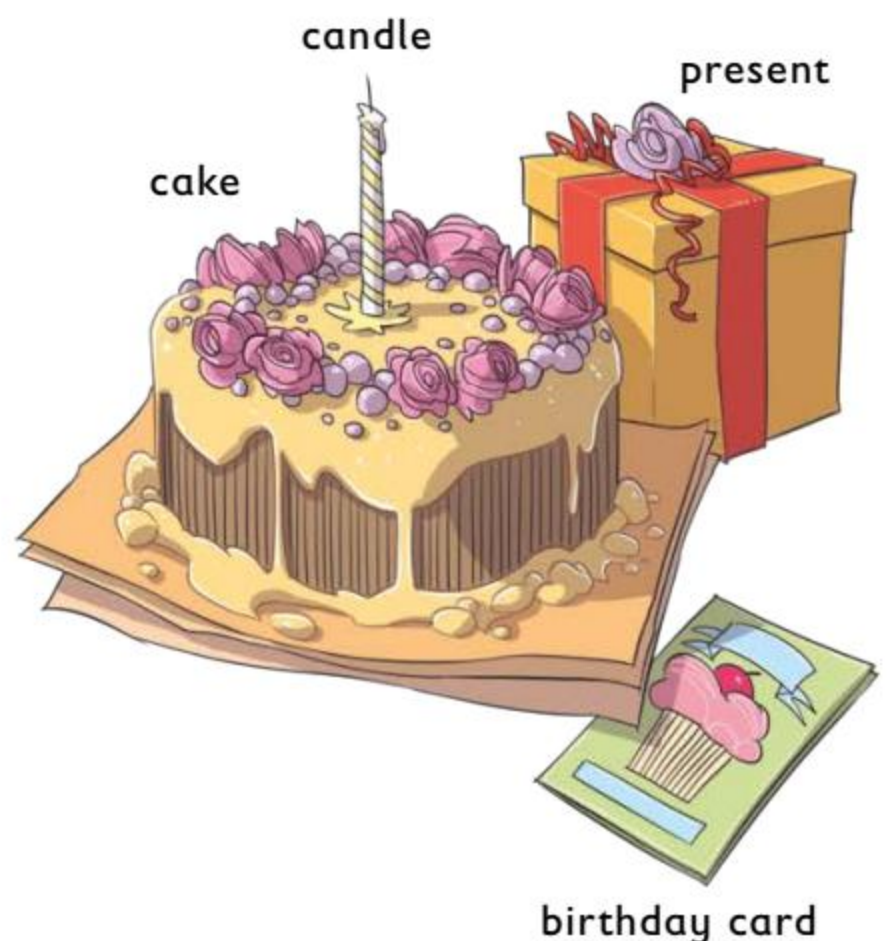
(The member of a family who is unlike all the other members; often seen as a negative characteristic)  
*Dorothy is the only person in her family who didn't go to university; she's the black sheep of the family, I suppose!*

#### To run in the family

(When all members of a family have a common characteristic)  
*Joanne has such beautiful red hair, but so do her brother and her sister. It must run in the family.*

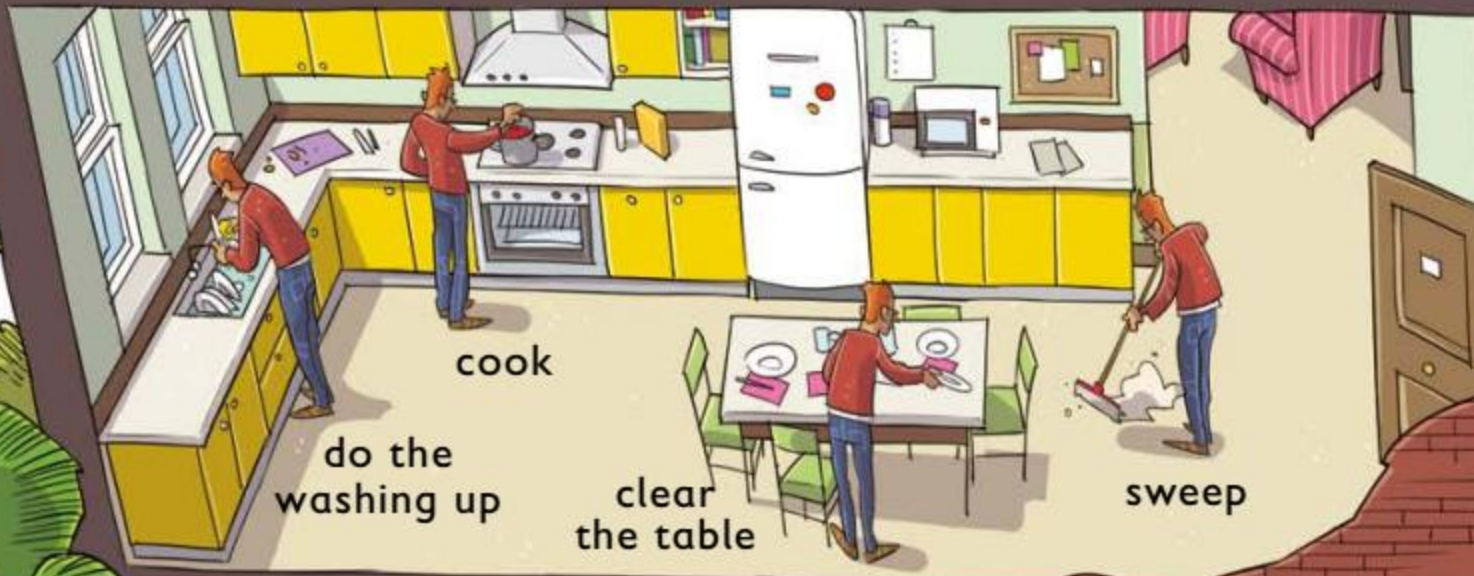
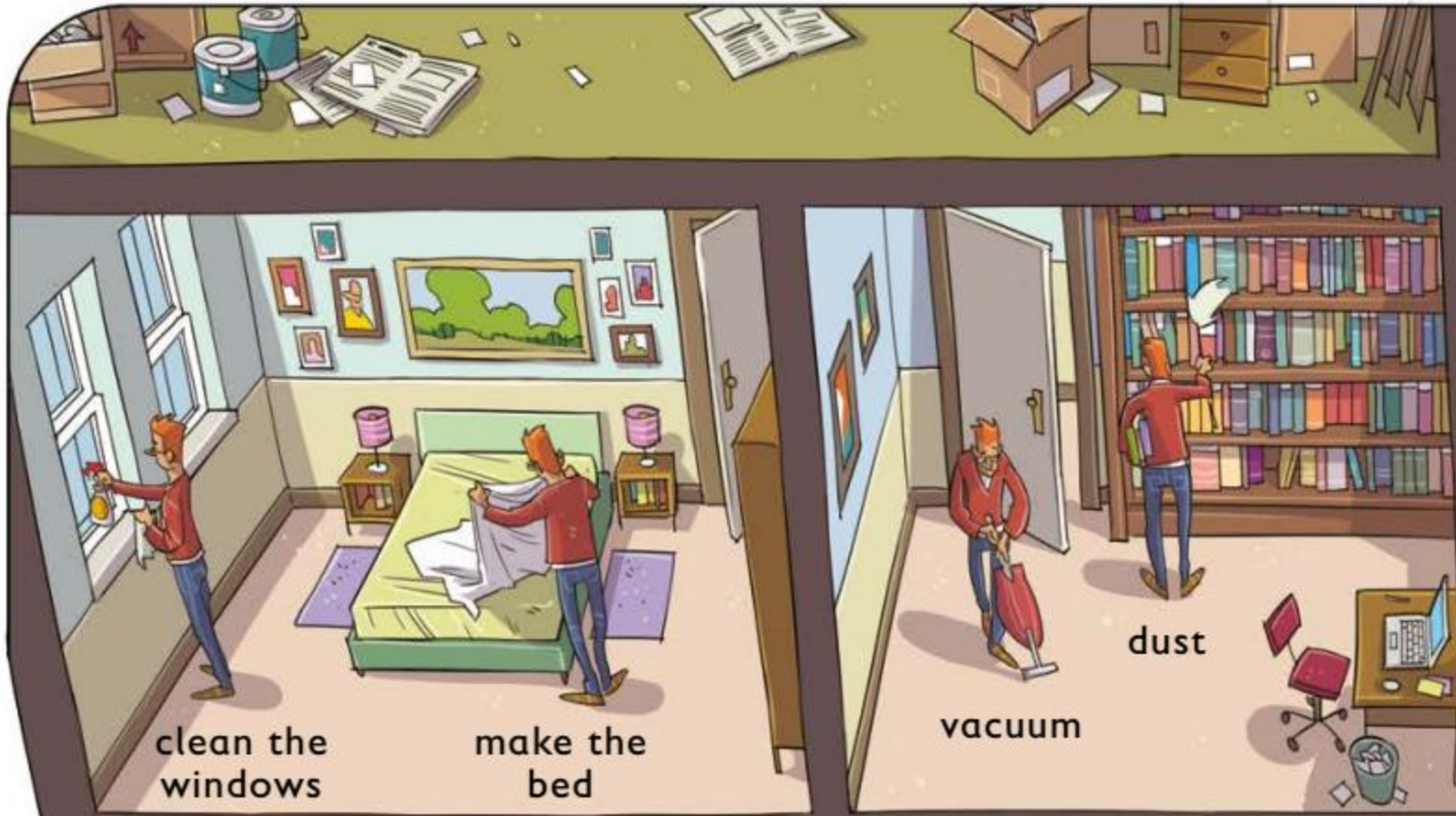
### Details

#### A birthday party





# 6 Housework







clean



do the shopping



tidy up



sew



sew on a button



hand wash



iron



fold



load the dishwasher



brush



pick up



wash the floor

take the dog out

take the rubbish out



lay the table



dry



repair



open the window



close the window



light the hob



change the lightbulb



plug in



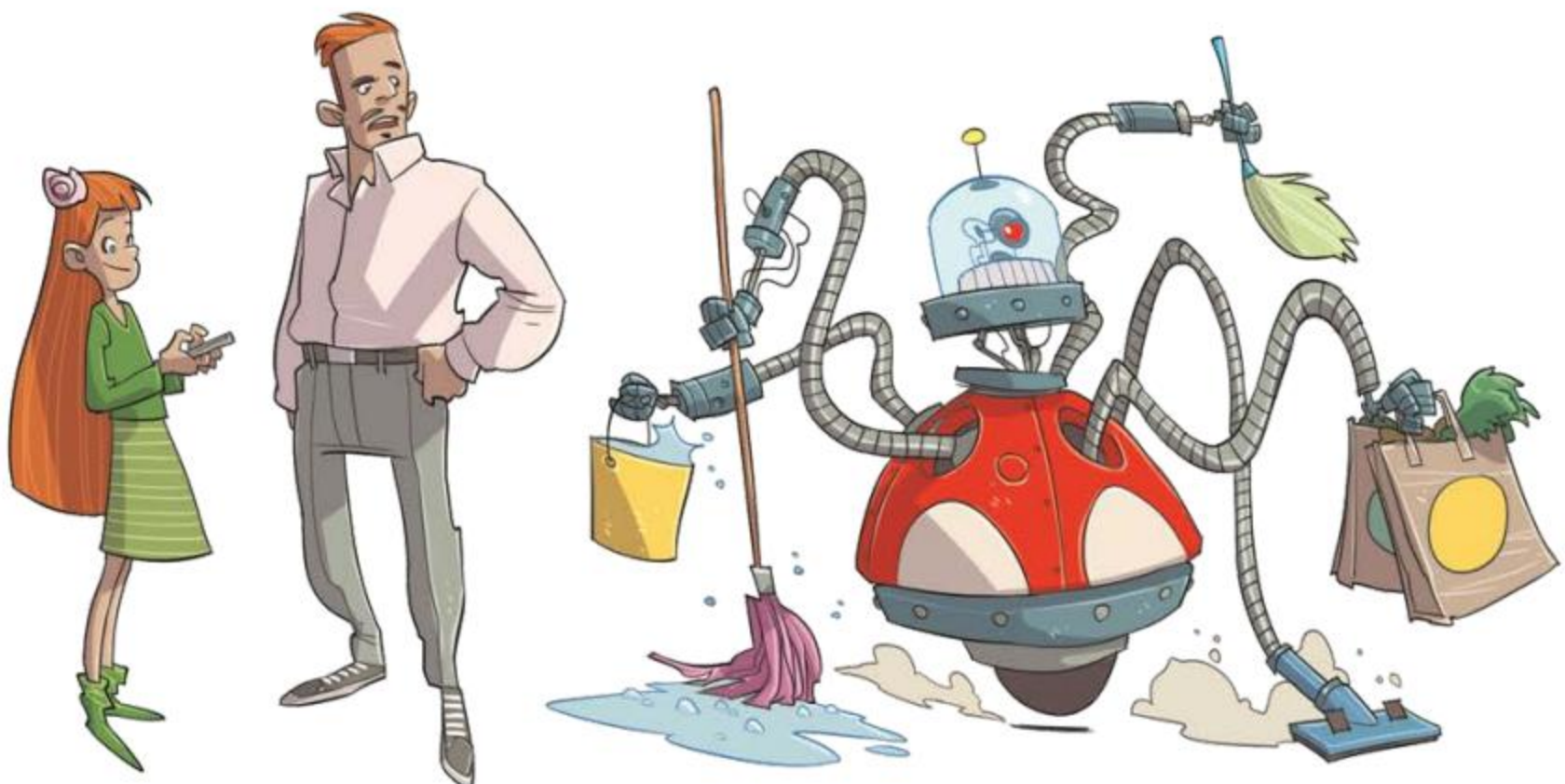
unplug



## 6 Housework

### Let's clean up!

- Hurry up, Melanie! We have to go out!
- No, Dad! We have to wait for Daisy!
- Really? And what does she have to do this time?
- She has to cook!
- Can't she do it later, sweetheart?
- No, because she's got other things to do later!
- And what exactly does she have to do?
- She has to make the bed, clean the windows and tidy up! And do the washing up and load the washing machine!
- It doesn't matter, let's go out anyway!
- Come on Dad, let's just wait! She just has to vacuum the floors and do the ironing! It only takes a little while!
- Well the washing is already dry... magic!
- Daisy is fantastic at these things! She's dusted, swept, washed the floors and done the shopping!
- Really?!
- Exactly... and it only took ten minutes!
- Incredible! But why does she have to do it all today?
- Because she's having a party tonight and she wants the house to be nice and clean!
- I get it... how much longer?
- Another ten minutes!
- Listen, next time I have to clean up... lend me your *Daisy SuperGirl* robot!





## A closer look

### Household items



ironing board



iron



vacuum cleaner



clothes airer



peg



steps



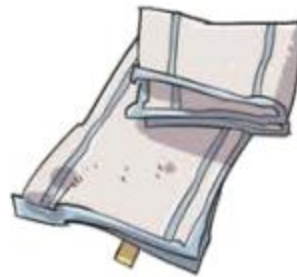
broom



dustpan



bucket



duster



basin



rubber gloves

### Idioms

#### As neat as a pin

(Very tidy)

*Jane's house is always as neat as a pin. I don't know how she does it!*

#### To clean up one's act

(To stop behaving badly)

*Jason, you need to clean up your act and concentrate on your studies or you'll fail your exams this year!*

#### To wipe the slate clean

(To start again with good intentions after making some mistakes)

*I'm so sorry about what I said when we argued earlier. Can we wipe the slate clean and be friends again?*

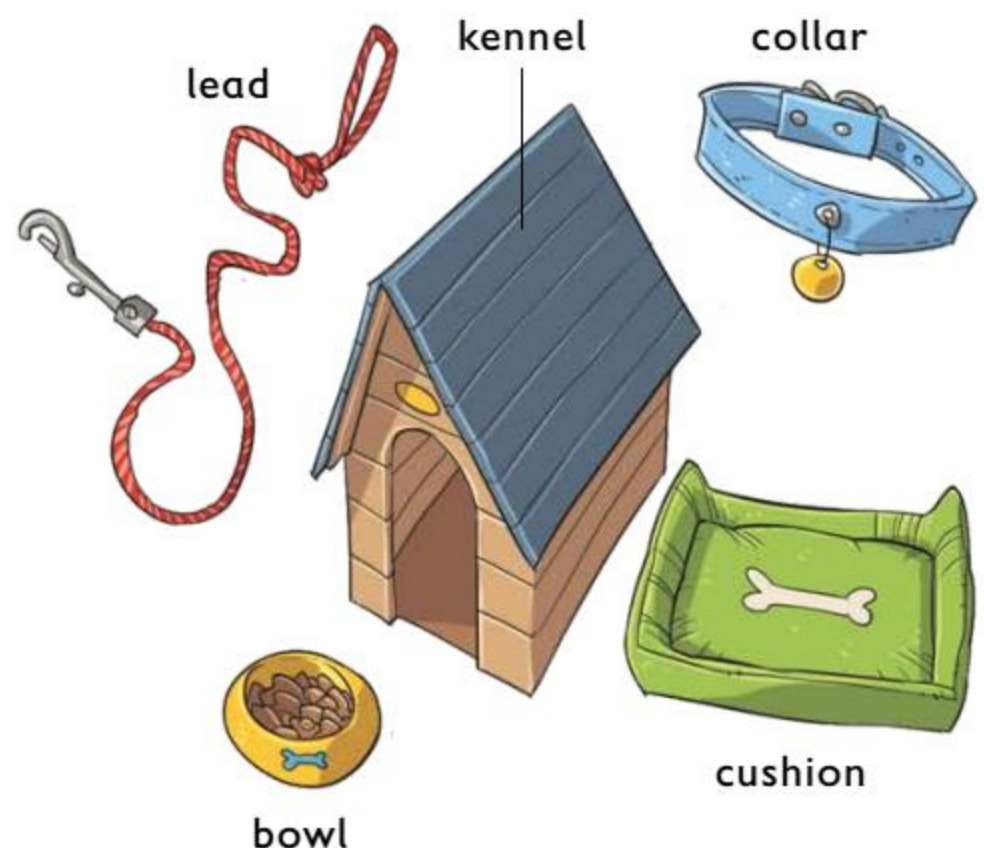
#### It will all come out in the wash

(A lie or secret will be discovered sooner or later)

*He can deny that he stole the money, but I'm sure it will all come out in the wash!*

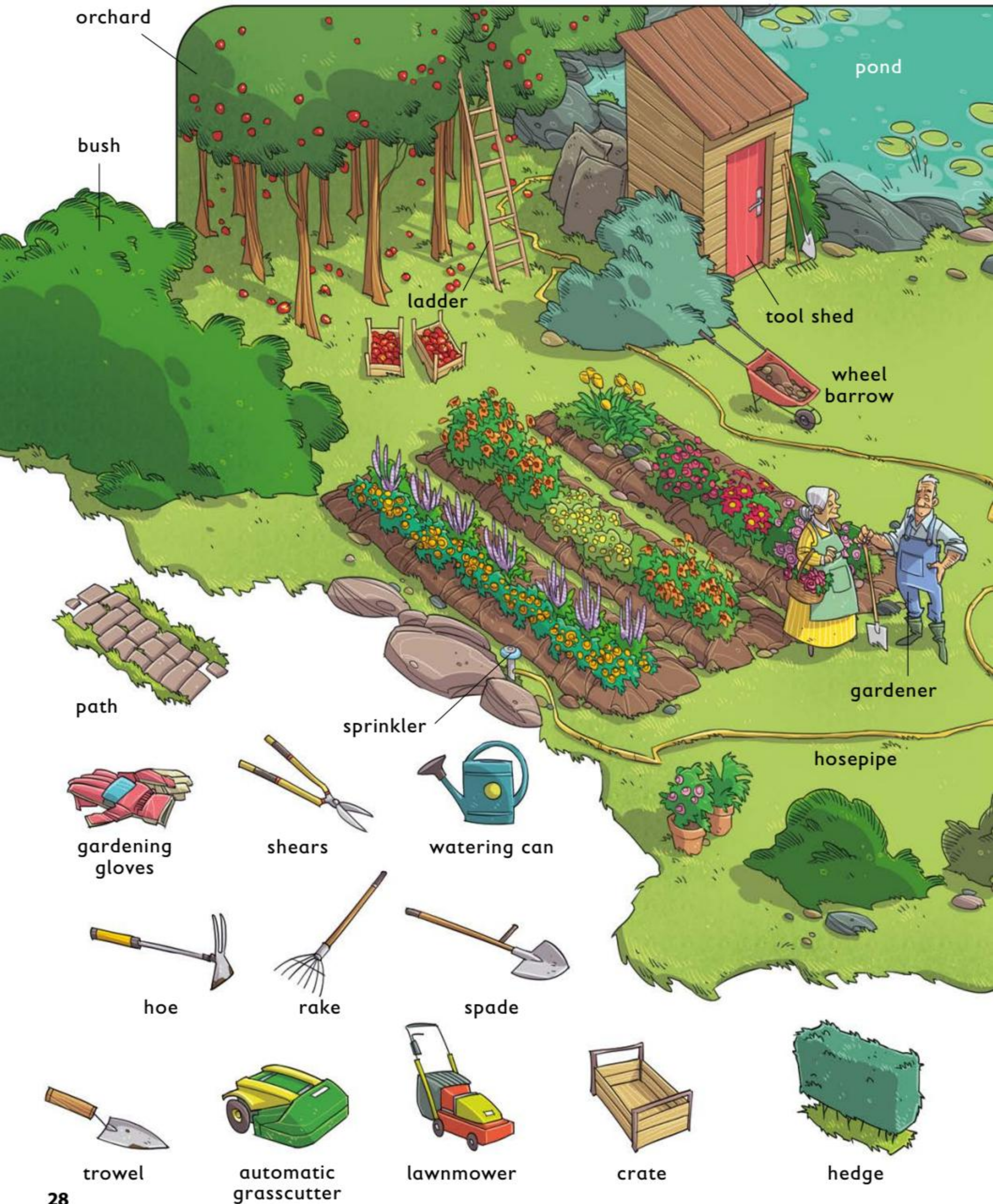
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#### Accessories for the dog

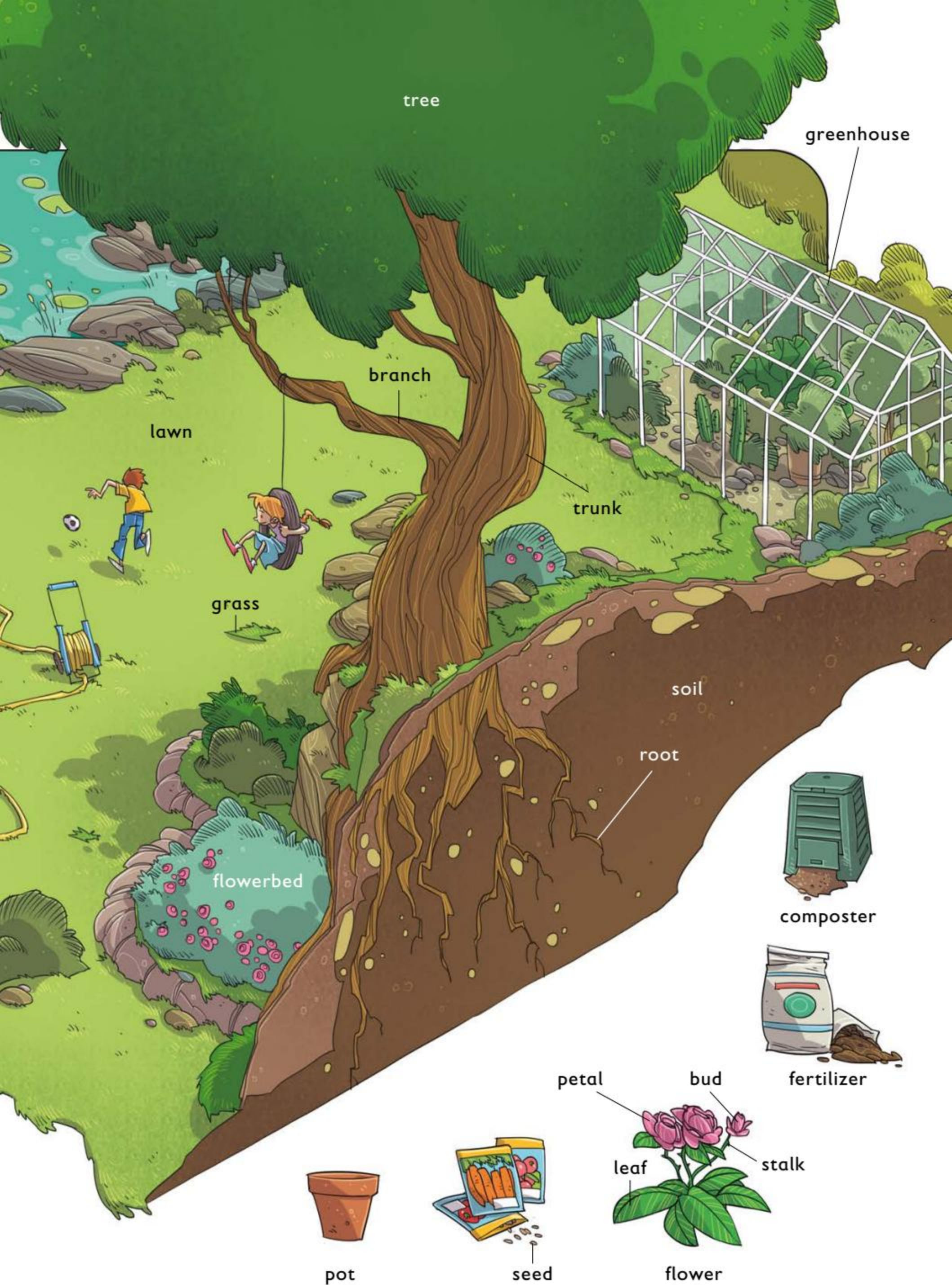




# 7 Gardening







tree

greenhouse

branch

lawn

trunk

grass

soil

root

flowerbed



composter



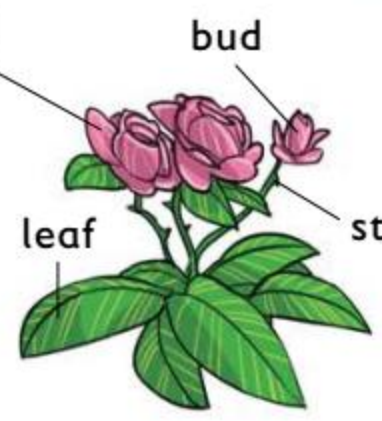
fertilizer



pot



seed



flower



## 7 Gardening

### Garden mystery

- Philip, have you seen Robby? He's missing!
- Robby? No... Who's Robby?
- Oh, Robby! My sweet little Robby! He wandered off and now I can't find him!
- Let's look! Have you looked behind the bushes?
- Yes. And in the flowerbeds, but he's not there!
- Have you looked in the greenhouse? Maybe he's hiding between the pots and the boxes...
- No, no... I've already looked!
- And in the tool shed?
- I haven't looked in the tool shed! Oh no, he could get hurt! The lawnmower and the shears are in there!
- Let's go and look straight away!
- There's just a hosepipe, a spade and a hoe, but no Robby...
- Where could he be? Could he have gone to the pond?
- I don't know. The automatic grasscutter scares him, and he runs away!
- Poor thing! But where does he go?
- Usually to the orchard, but I've already looked in there!
- Hey! Look down there! I saw something moving!
- Where?
- Behind the hedge!
- Robby! My love! There you are!
- But this is a Labrador!
- Of course! Why, what were you thinking?
- Nothing, it doesn't matter...





## A closer look

### Gardening and flowers



plant



water



cut the grass



rake the leaves



rose



carnation



tulip



daffodil



iris



chrysanthemum



hyacinth



waterlily

### Idioms

#### To put roots down

(To stay in a place for a long time)

*I just love London, so I've decided to put my roots down and buy a house there.*

#### Everything in the garden is rosy

(Everything is going well)

*I'm really enjoying my new course at college. So far everything in the garden is rosy!*

#### To plant the seeds (of something)

(To start a process for a plan or a thought to develop)

*I've decided to change my university course, from engineering to languages. My tutor planted the seeds when she told me I was very good at languages!*

#### To shake like a leaf

(To tremble or shiver uncontrollably, usually from fear)

*I was shaking like a leaf before I got on, but that roller-coaster ride was awesome!*

### Details

#### Flowerbeds

stones



bark



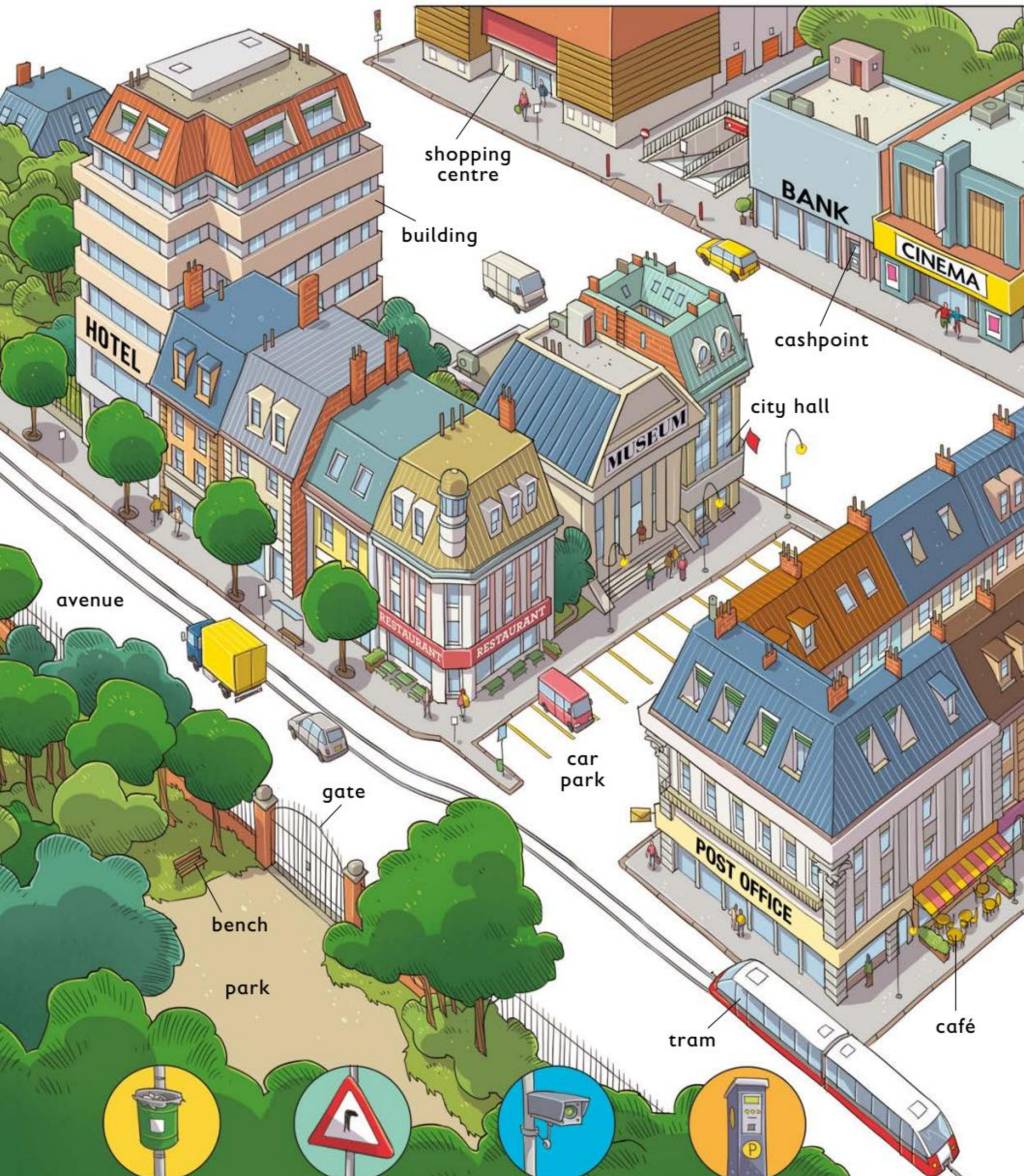
cactus



thorn



# 8 The city



shopping centre

building

BANK

CINEMA

cashpoint

city hall

MUSEUM

RESTAURANT

HOTEL

avenue

car park

gate

bench

park

POST OFFICE

café

tram



32 rubbish bin

road sign

video camera

parking meter





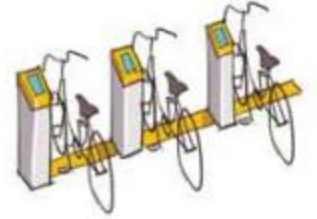
roundabout



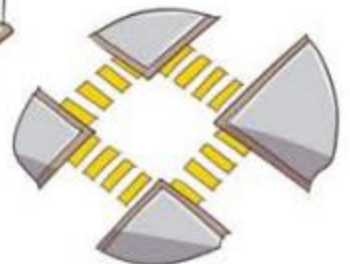
cycle path



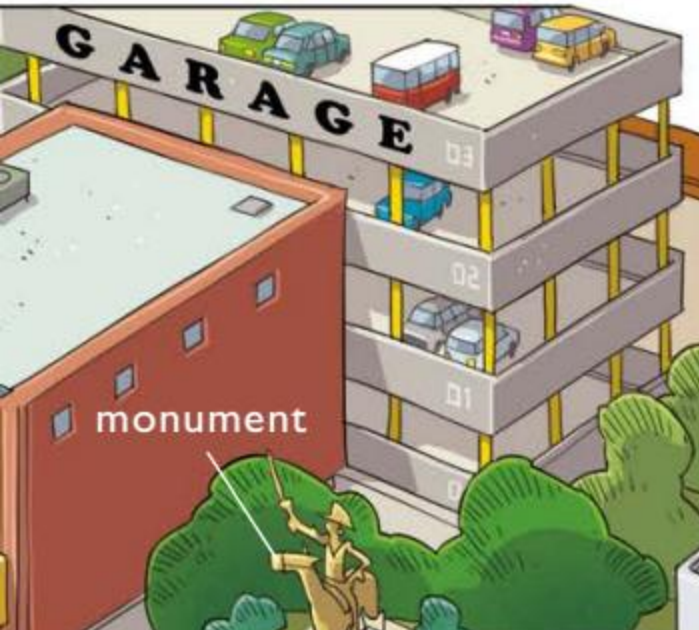
disabled parking



bike-share parking



crossroads



monument



skyscraper



HOSPITAL

LIBRARY



UNDERGROUND



streetlamp

street corner

shop



traffic lights



THEATRE

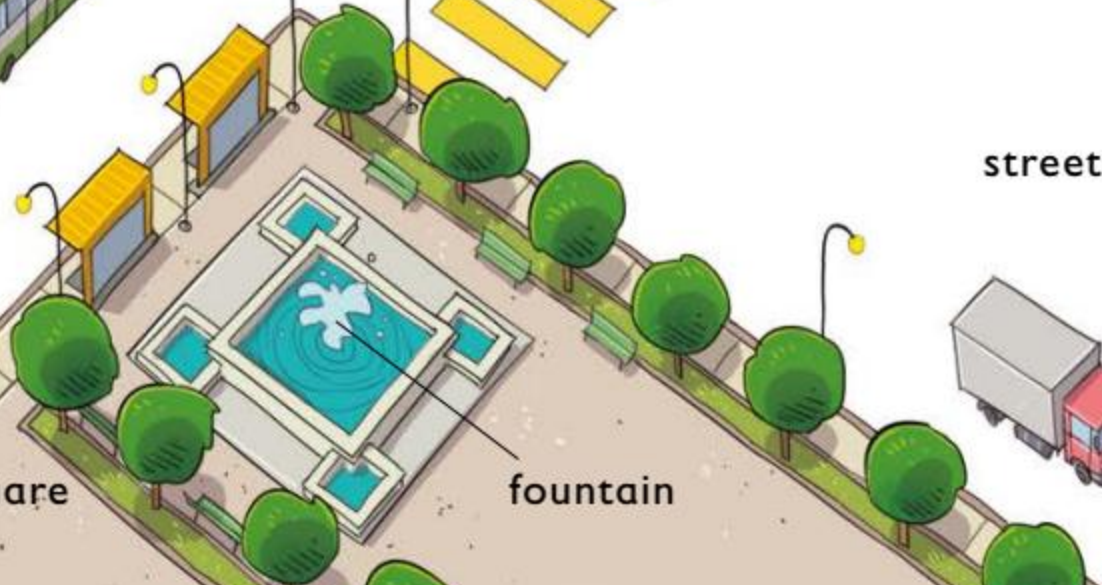
pedestrian crossing

taxi rank



bus stop

street



square

fountain





## 8 The city

### A thief!

- Thief! Thief!
- What's happened? I'm a police officer!
- A thief! He stole my bag! He went along that street and at the crossroads he turned towards the post office!
- I'll get the car and follow him!
- No, we'll lose him! Run! There he is! He's gone into the shopping centre!
- Leave it to me!
- No! He's got my bag! Look! He's going towards the cinema now!
- I can see him! He's really fast...!
- We'll lose him, run! He's down there, he went into the garage!
- If he steals a car, we'll lose him...!
- He's stolen a car! Quick, get a taxi!
- I'm a police officer! Driver, follow that car!
- He's turned towards the square! Quickly!
- Now he's going past the park! He's going towards the skyscraper...
- The roundabout! Be careful, turn left!
- I know this area, I live around here! We won't lose him now!
- He's stopped in front of that yellow building! Run Officer!
- But... I live there!
- Quickly! He's gone into that apartment!
- But that's my house!!!
- So how did he get in?!
- Erm... this morning... I left the house in a hurry... maybe I didn't lock the door...
- And he's locked himself in!  
Get your keys and open the door!
- My keys... my keys... oh no!  
I left them in the lock of the front door!
- So now what?
- Now... We'll ring the bell and not mention this to anyone, right?



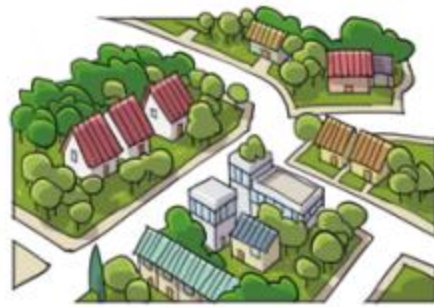


## A closer look

### Urban spaces



city centre



suburbs



pedestrian zone



residential area



shopping centre



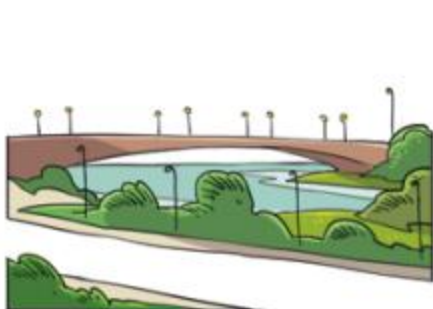
industrial estate



police station



university



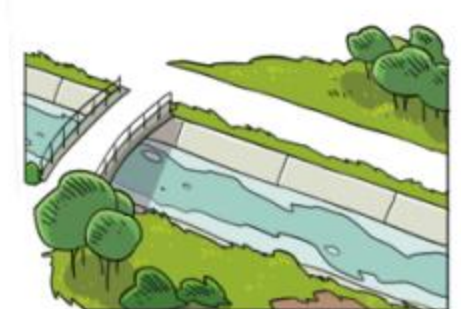
bridge



steps



alley



canal

### Idioms

#### To be up one's street

(To be ideally suited to one's interests)

*I really want to see Fast and Furious at the cinema; that kind of film is right up my street!*

#### To be out of town

(To be away from home on a trip)

*I can't come to the party tomorrow because I'm out of town all week!*

#### A road hog

(Someone who takes up too much space on a road, not allowing room for other drivers)

*The traffic is so slow this morning... Ah, look! There's a road hog driving across two lanes. Nobody can get past!*

#### To be the talk of the town

(To be the topic of conversations or gossip in a particular area)

*Did you hear about our local lottery winner? He lives at the end of my street and he won £64 million – it was the talk of the town!*

### Details

#### Urban centres

metropolis

city

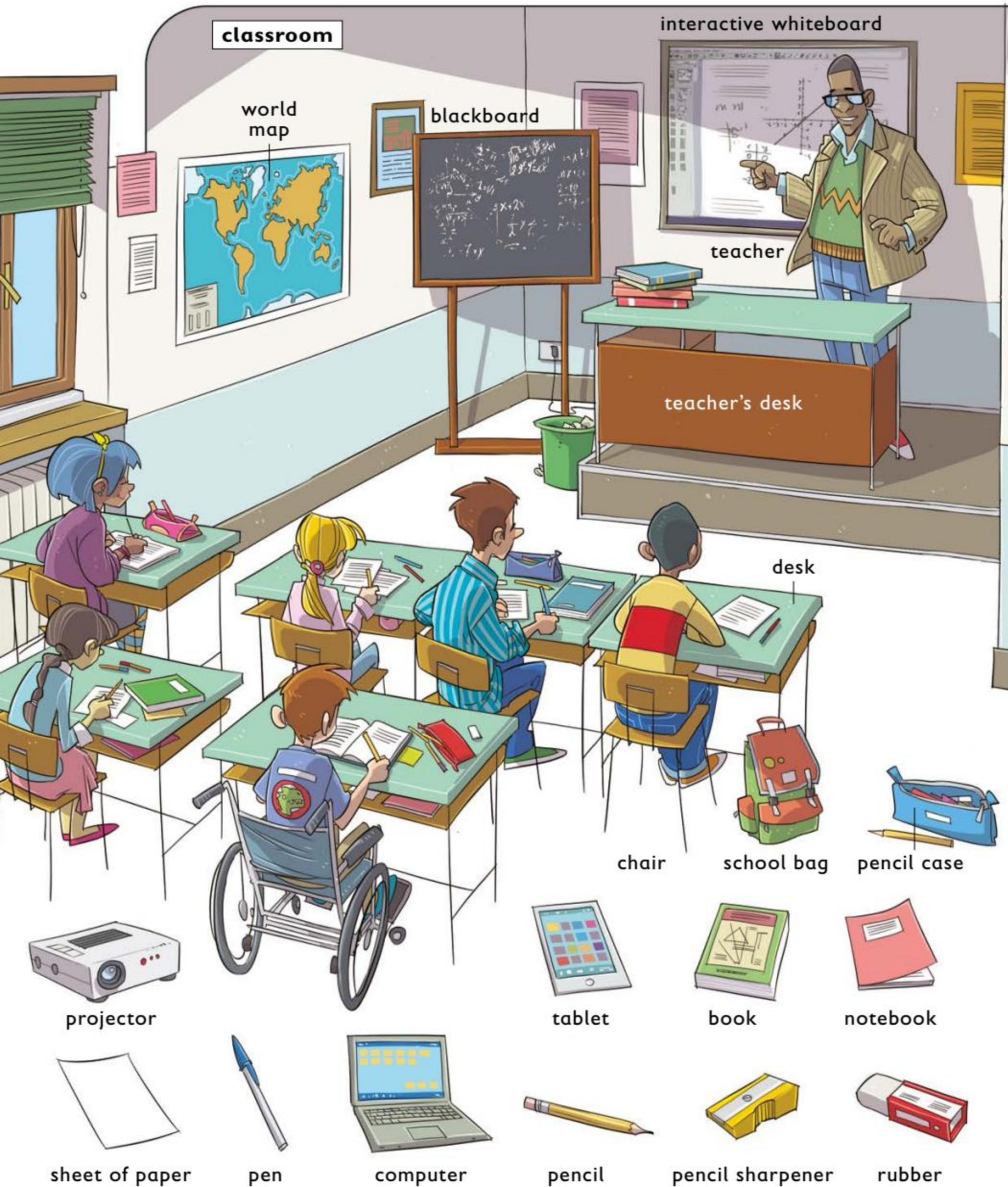


town

village



# 9 School







staff room



canteen



gym



library



laboratory

locker

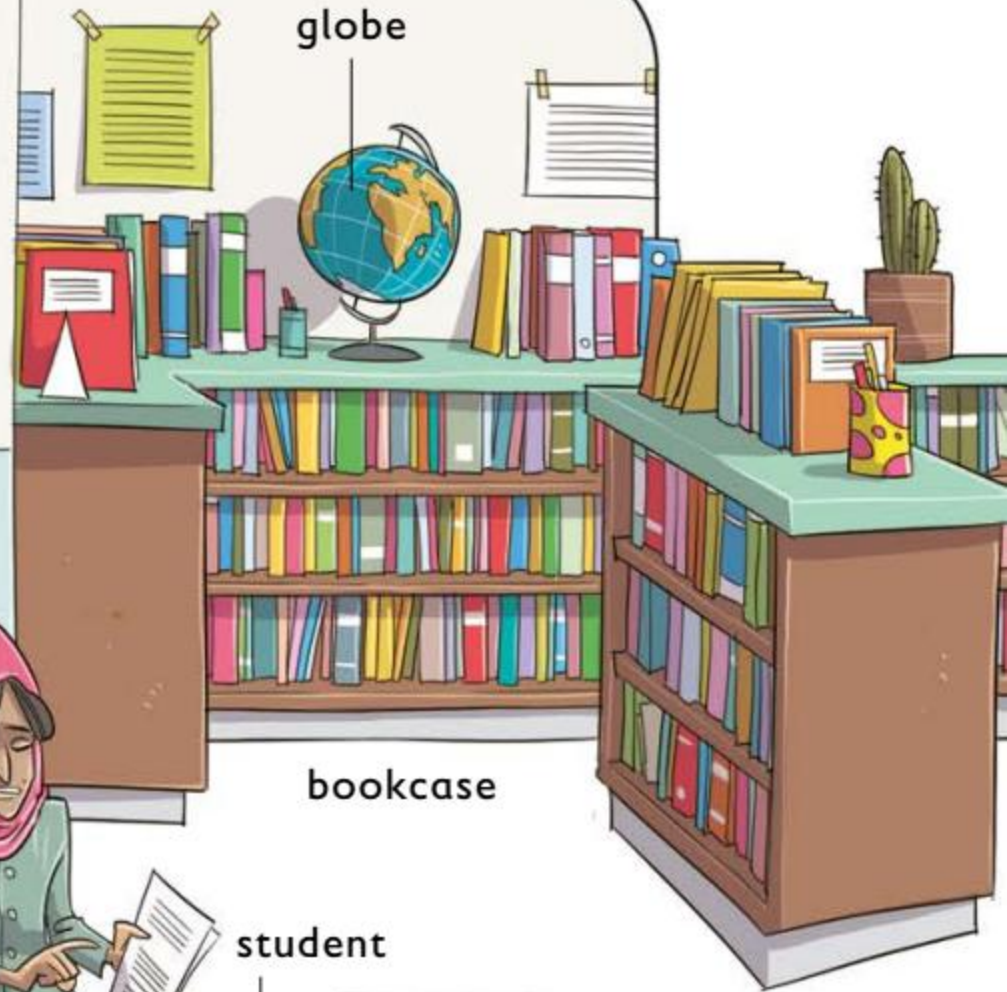


clock



calendar

globe



bookcase

student

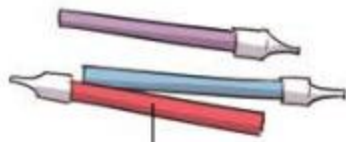
stool



bin



highlighter



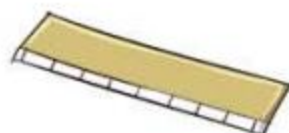
felt-tip pen



coloured pencil



calculator



ruler



set square



glue



paintbrush



watercolours



scissors



compass



sticky tape



## Class test!

- So, Thomas, would you like to come up to the front of the class?
- To the front?
- Come on! Come up to the board: I need to ask you some questions.
- Ah... can I bring my book?
- No.
- My notebook?
- No.
- My calculator?
- Your calculator?! For a History test? Come up and tell us about the Ancient Egyptians!
- Okay... the Ancient Egyptians... lived in Egypt! Should I show you on the map?
- No. So, what else?
- Erm... the Egyptians... built the pyramids!
- How? With a set square and ruler?
- I'll show you! I'll just get my pencil from my pencil case and I'll draw a pyramid!
- Thomas, that's enough!
- Is it better... with felt-tip pens?
- Thomas, why don't you study?!
- I do study! It's just that... I studied other subjects.
- Ah... which ones?
- Physical Education!
- Physical Education? What did you need to study for that?
- Well... I had to pack my gym bag ...
- Thomas! That's enough... Go back to your desk!  
Do you really not like school?
- I like it! I like it a lot!  
Especially the canteen!





## A closer look

### School subjects



History



Geography



Maths



Foreign languages



Science



Chemistry



Art



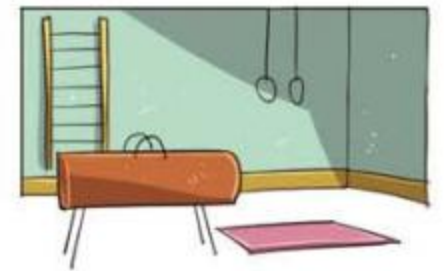
I.T.  
(Information Technology)



Music



P.E. (Physical Education)



### Idioms

#### To be an open book

(To be an open, uncomplicated person, who is easy to understand)

*Martina is such a friendly and sociable girl; she's an open book!*

#### School of thought

(A particular way of thinking about something)

*The general school of thought for my generation is that children should be allowed to eat whatever they like.*

#### To learn to walk before one can run

(To learn to do something slowly in stages, starting with basic skills before moving to the advanced ones)

*You've only just started studying French and you're already signing up for an advanced exam! Are you crazy? You should learn to walk before you can run!*

#### To learn by heart

(To memorise something word for word)

*Heather recited the poem really well at the school concert. She learned it by heart by reading it aloud ten times a day!*

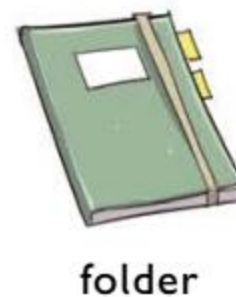
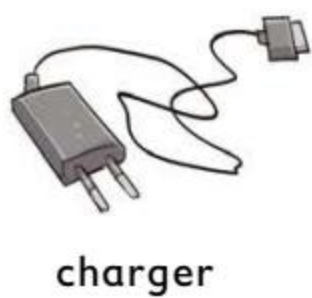
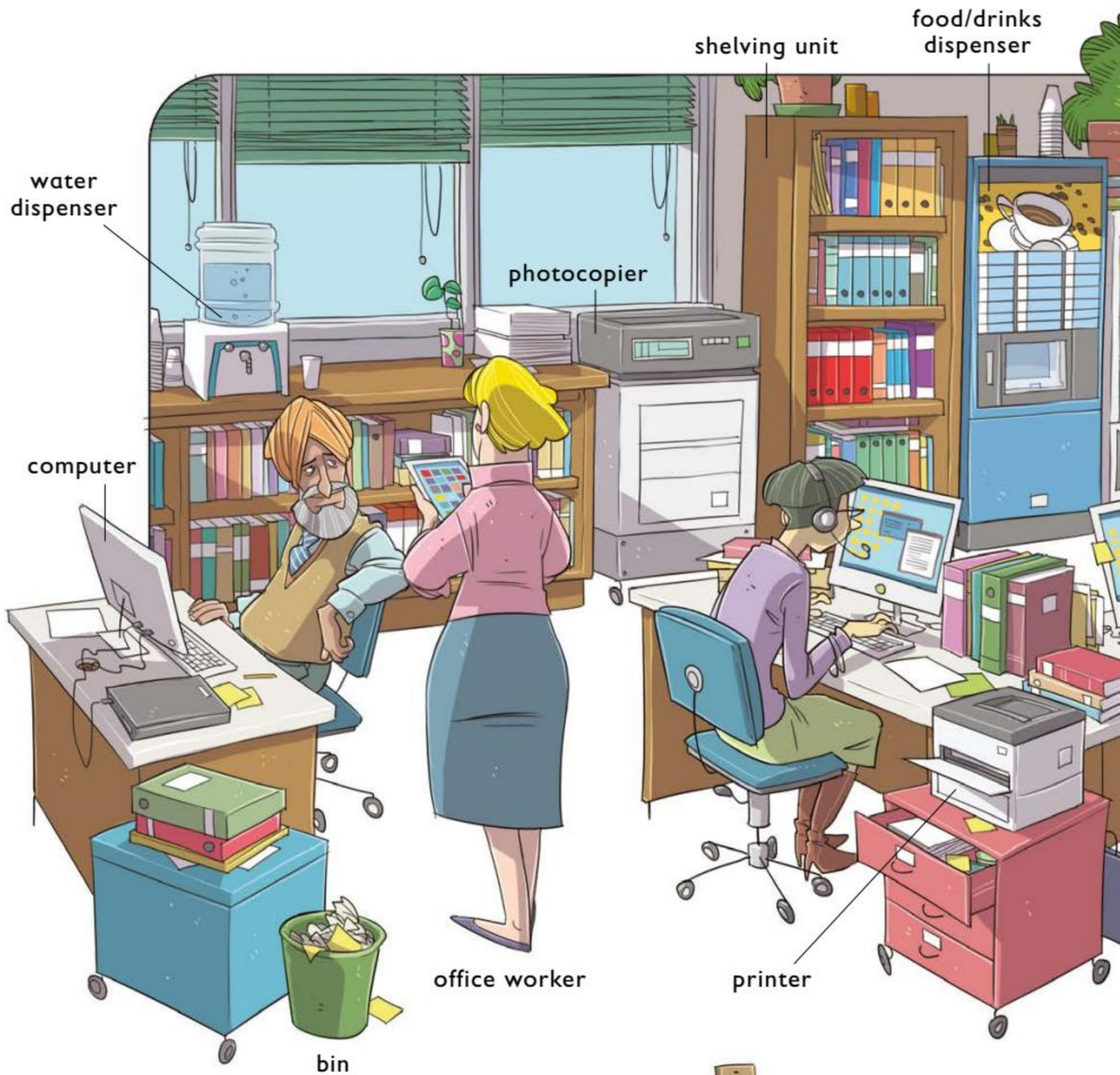
### Details

#### A book





# 10 The office







meeting room

safe

shelf

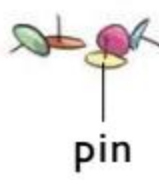
director

office chair

desk

delivery man

bag



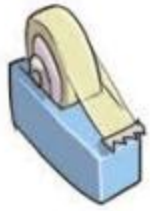
pin



document tray



post-it



sticky tape



stapler



hole-punch



elastic band



sheet of paper



ring-binder



pen holder



envelope



business card



## 10 The office

### Important papers

*The phone rings...*

- Hello? Ah, it's you Sir. Good morning!
- I'm sorry to bother you Mrs Jackson, but I can't find my red folder... is it maybe on your desk?
- No, Sir. It's not on my desk, or on the shelf.
- Could you check to see if it's in the meeting room, please?
- Just a minute... no, it's not there, I'm sorry.
- What a disaster! It contains some really important papers! Are you sure you've checked carefully?
- Yes, Sir. If you like, I can ask the other colleagues.
- Thank you.

*A little while later...*

- I'm sorry, but no one's seen your red folder, Sir. I even asked the delivery man!
- This really is a disaster! Could you do me a favour: look in the photocopier!
- I'm sorry, it's not there.
- On my printer?
- No, Sir.
- In the safe?
- Yes, it's there, Sir!
- What a relief! Could you bring it straight away, please!
- Of course! If there are important papers inside...
- Important? Very important! There's the shopping list that my wife gave me! If I lose it, I'm a dead man!





## A closer look

### At work



job advertisements



CV



boss



recruitment



contract of work



colleague



dismissal



maternity/paternity leave



salary



holidays



sick leave



retire

### Idioms

#### To put something in the diary

(To confirm an arrangement)

*Yes, we're definitely going to the concert next weekend. I've put it in the diary.*

#### Just another day in the office

(A regular, normal day)

*The team is doing so well at the moment that winning a match seems like just another day in the office to them!*

#### A pen pusher

(Someone who does an administrative job)

*You don't know the meaning of a hard day's work – you're just a pen pusher, after all!*

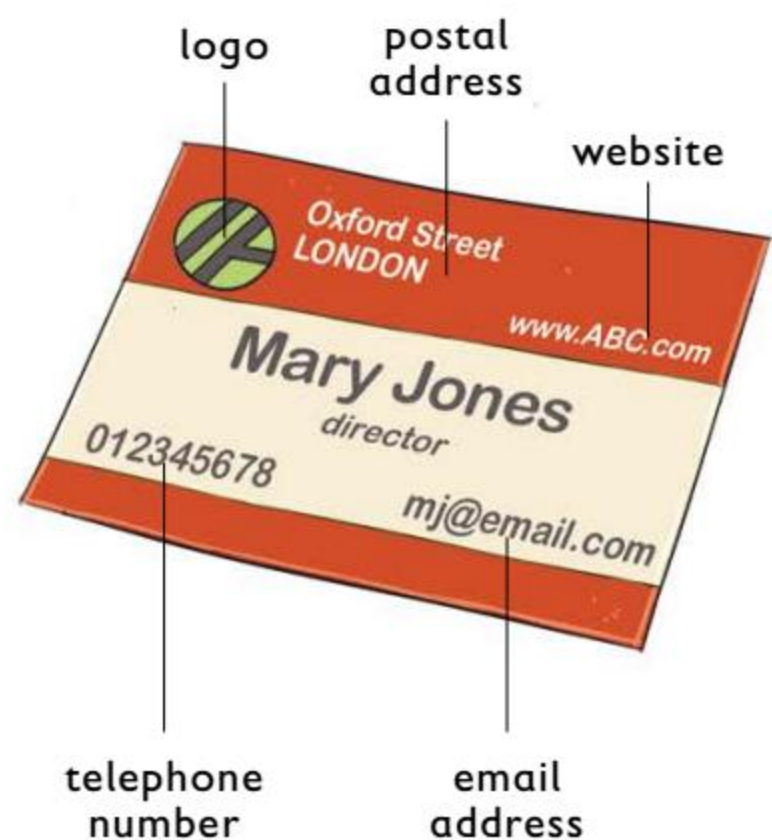
#### To set pen to paper

(To start writing something down)

*I had been thinking about this story for such a long time, that when I finally set pen to paper it was easy to turn it into a best-selling novel.*

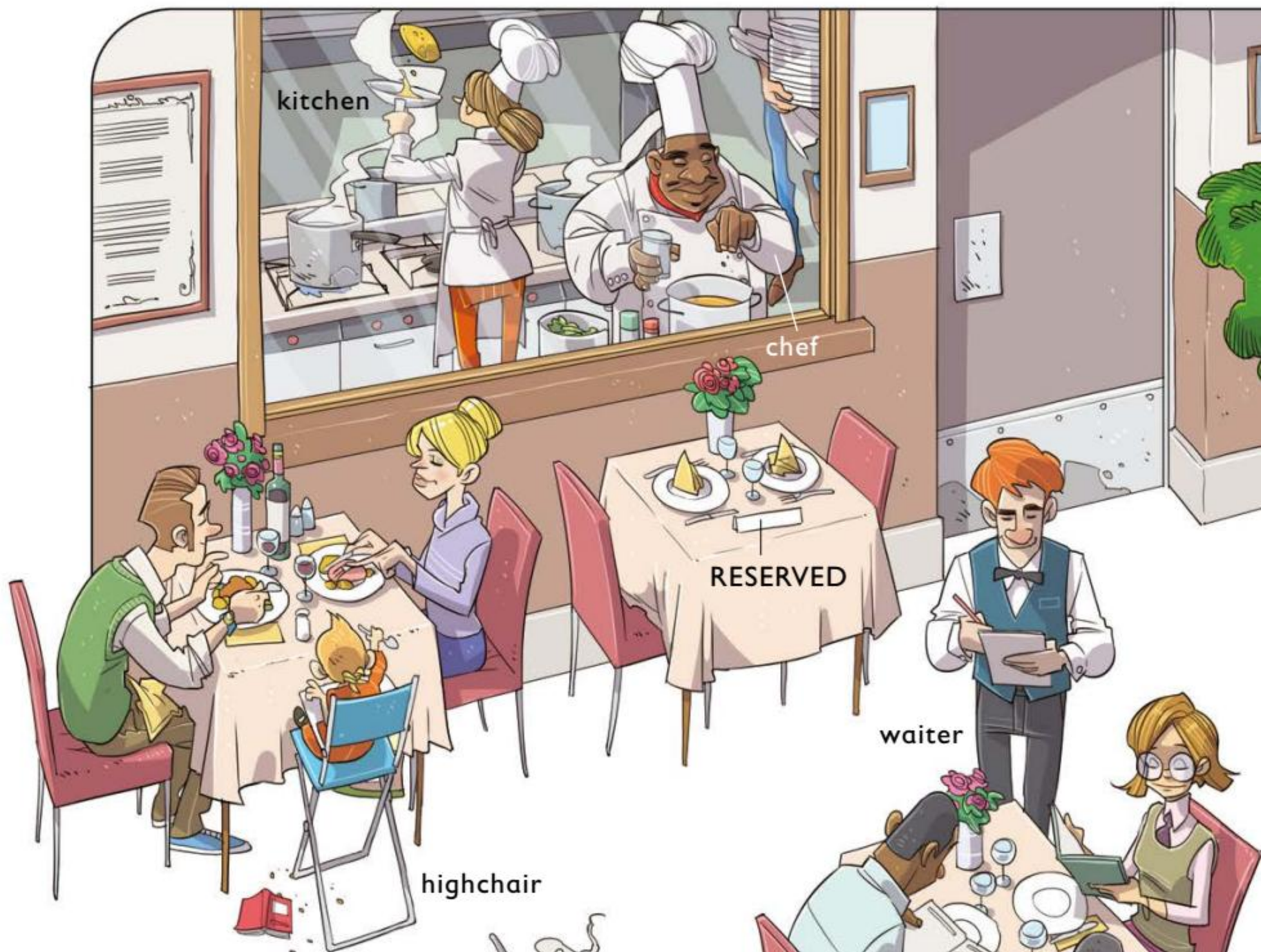
### Details

#### Business card





# 11 The restaurant



still water



sparkling water



white wine



red wine



coffee



beer



cocktail

ice bucket



sparkling wine



wine list



menu



bread basket





customer

head waiter



bill



tip



soup



spaghetti



rice



meat



chicken



hamburger



sausages



fish



beans



chips



vegetables



salad



eggs



cheese



pizza



oil

vinegar

salt

pepper



fruit salad



ice cream



cake



mousse



# 11 The restaurant

## The bill, please!

- Can I bring you anything else? Dessert? Coffee?
- Just the bill, please!
- Okay. So... you had still water and white wine to drink, is that right?
- Right... but the wine was terrible.
- I'm sorry... I hoped the head waiter had given you good advice.
- Unfortunately not. And I don't want to pay for bad wine, I'm sorry!
- I'm so sorry! I can take a little off the bill for you, okay?
- Thank you, that's very kind...
- Then, you ordered a dish of spaghetti and some soup...
- The soup was cold.
- Cold? That's strange, the chef prepared it especially for you. Would you forgive us with another small discount?
- Certainly, thank you!
- As a main course, you had fish with vegetables and chicken with chips, is that correct?
- Yes, but the fish was overcooked, and the chips were too salty!
- I'm mortified! I could increase the discount, if you agree...
- Very kind, thank you.
- Then you had fruit salad and, to finish, two ice creams and some sparkling wine.
- Exactly. But the sparkling wine was warm! And the fruit wasn't fresh!
- I really don't know what to say... I'll add another small discount, if that's okay!
- That's fine. So, what's the total now?
- There's your bill! I'm terribly disappointed that you didn't enjoy your meal at all!
- Oh, we did enjoy our meal; we just wanted a discount!





## A closer look

### A vegetarian menu



dairy products



vegetables



legumes



sauces



dried fruit



seasonal fruit



drinks



green tea



pasta



desserts

## Idioms

### To make a meal out of something

(To put more effort into doing something than is necessary)

*Don't make a meal out of writing that essay... You only need to spend an hour or so on it!*

### To cut the air with a knife

(A tense atmosphere)

*Jan and Paul had such a row that they didn't talk to each other for weeks. Every time they were in the same room, you could cut the air with a knife!*

### Too many chefs in the kitchen

(Too many people are trying to take control of a situation)

*There are too many chefs in the kitchen on this project; I was in charge, then my colleague got involved, then my boss and now his boss!*

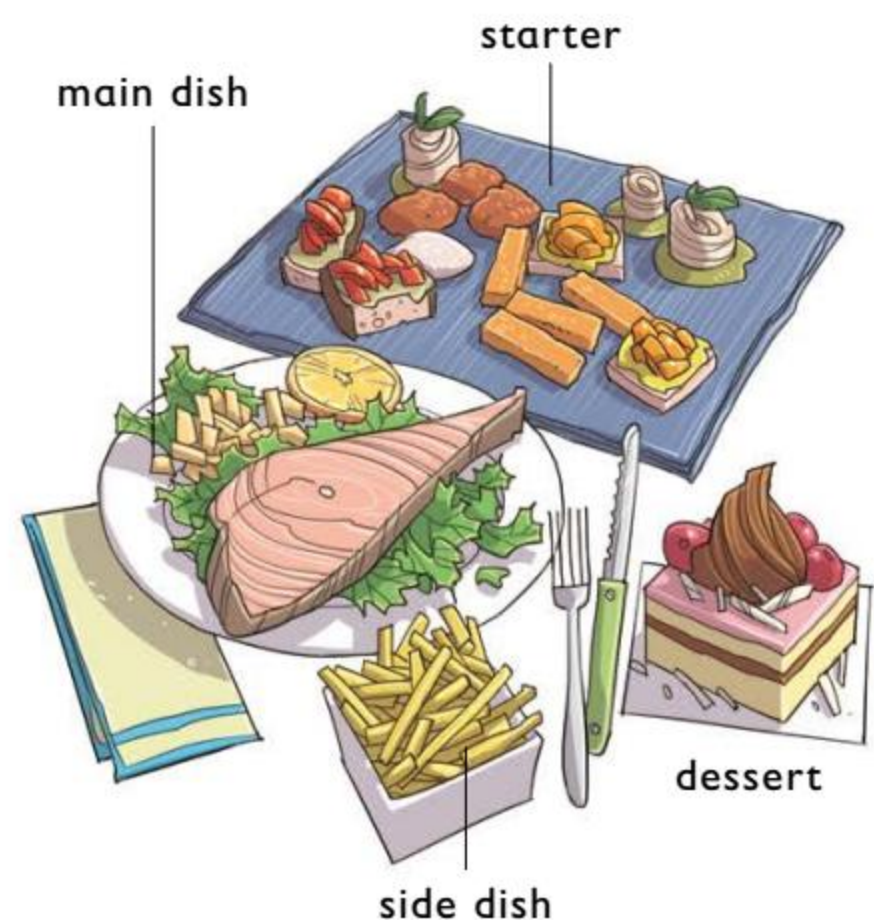
### To wake up and smell the coffee

(To try to pay more attention to what's happening)

*Lesley, the company is going bankrupt! Wake up and smell the coffee... we need to start looking for other jobs!*

## Details

### Courses





# 12 The hotel



lift



Wi-Fi



television



mini-bar



air conditioning



safe



kettle



restaurant

viewing terrace

bathroom

bath

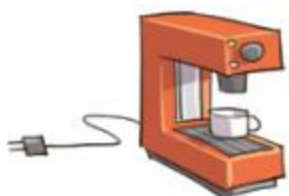
shower

hall

reception

swimming pool

luggage trolley



coffee machine



blanket



pillow



room service





guest



I.D.



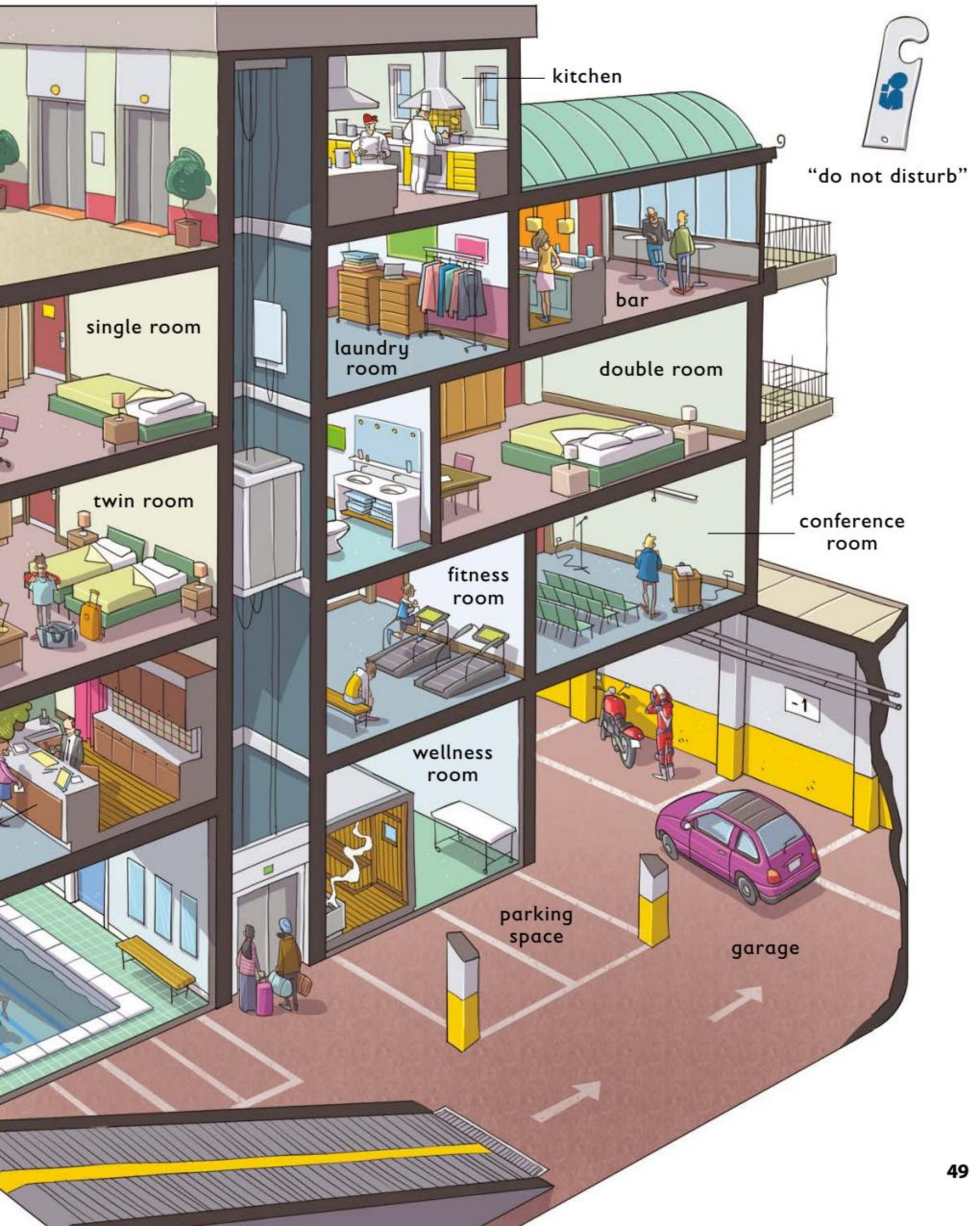
electronic  
key



luggage



room  
number





## 12 The hotel

### Seaside hotel

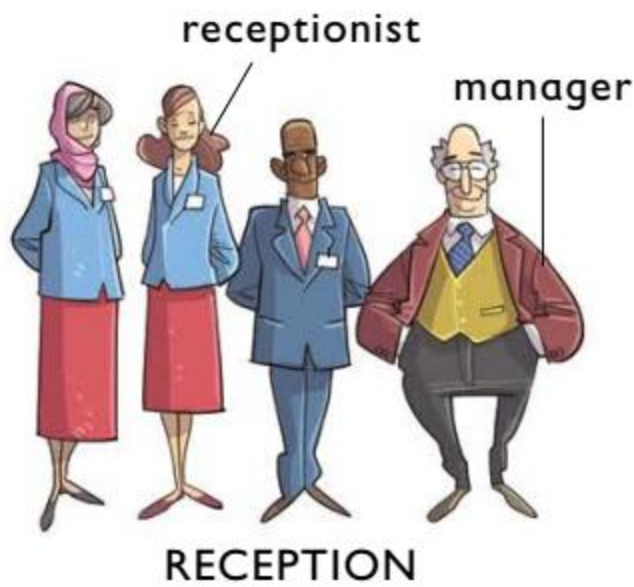
- Good morning, is this the Seaview Hotel?
- Yes, it is. How can I help you?
- I would like to book some rooms for next August... a double room for me and my husband, and a twin room for the children.
- No problem. Do you have any special requests?
- There's a wellness centre at the hotel, isn't there?
- Yes, it's included in the price. And there's a fitness room, where you can work out. When you arrive a member of the reception staff will give you all the information you need.
- Is there air conditioning in the rooms?
- Of course! There's also a TV, a mini-bar and a safe.
- Is there a Wi-Fi connection?
- Yes, there is Wi-Fi, too.
- Is the restaurant included in the price?
- It can be included if you like. You can book just bed and breakfast, or choose "full board", which includes lunch and dinner.
- Okay, we'll have full board.
- Our restaurant is on a beautiful terrace with a fabulous view, but we also offer room service, if you prefer.
- Wonderful. Is there also a garage where we can park our car?
- Yes, you can leave it there for your entire stay.
- Perfect, I'd like to book two rooms then... One double and one twin, as I said.
- Certainly!
- Both with a view of the seaside!
- A view of the seaside? There must be a mistake: our hotel is in the mountains!
- What do you mean...? I thought this was the Seaview Hotel!
- Of course, it is! But Seaview is the surname of the owner!





## A closer look

### Hotel staff



### Idioms

#### High days and holidays

(Special occasions and festivities)

*In the past, this dessert was generally made for high days and holidays, but now we only eat it at Easter.*

#### Life's a beach!

(Life is easy/relaxed)

*Life's a beach now that I've retired.*

#### Busman's holiday

(Doing an activity on holiday which is very similar to one's job)

*Linda said the sightseeing was rather like a busman's holiday for her; she is a tour guide after all!*

#### To travel light

(To take a small amount of luggage on holiday)

*We thought it would be hot in Spain, so we travelled light, just taking shorts and T-shirts, and swimsuits. We certainly didn't expect it to rain all week... but it did!*

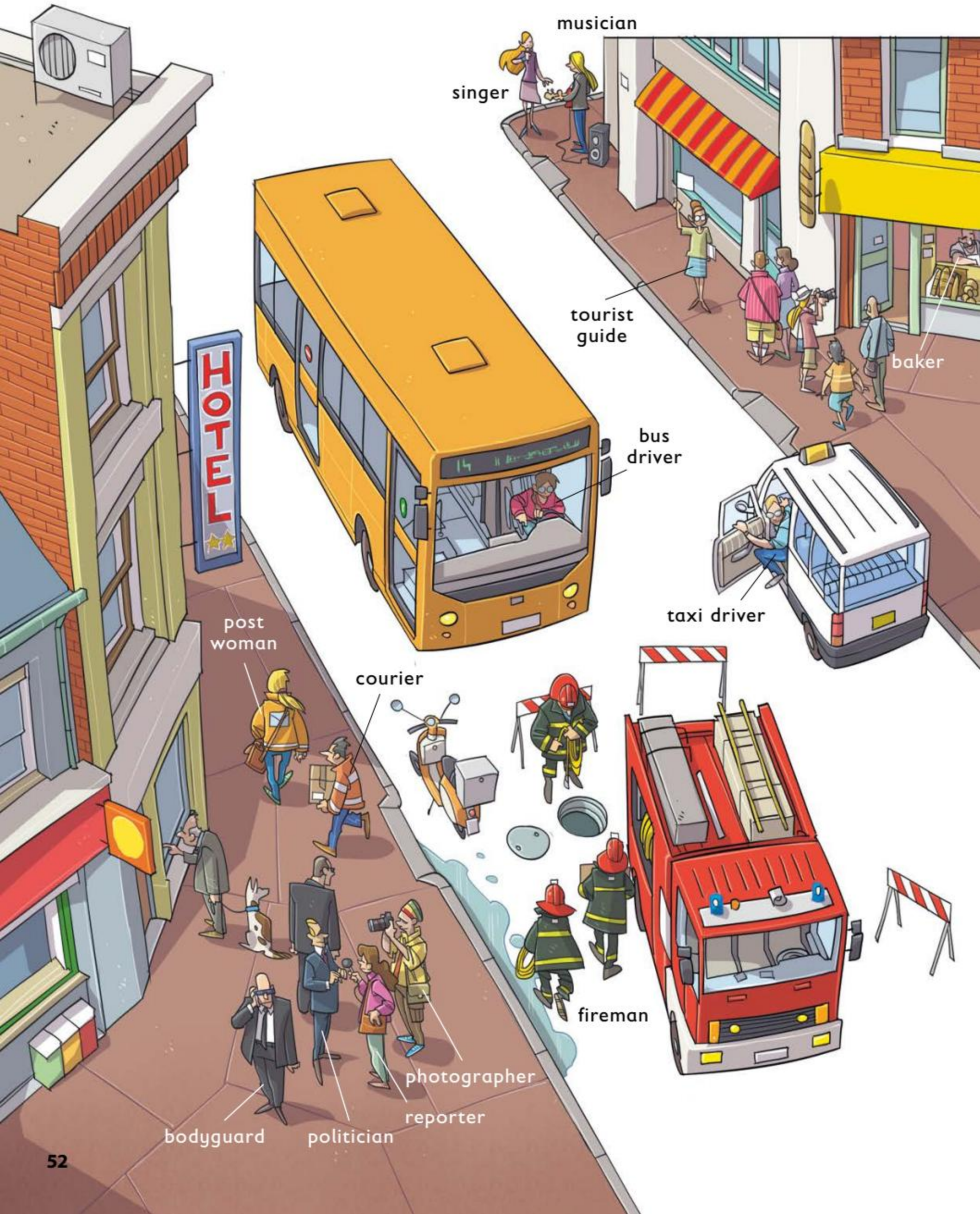
### Details

#### Items for the shower





# 13 Work and professions







lifeguard



fisherman



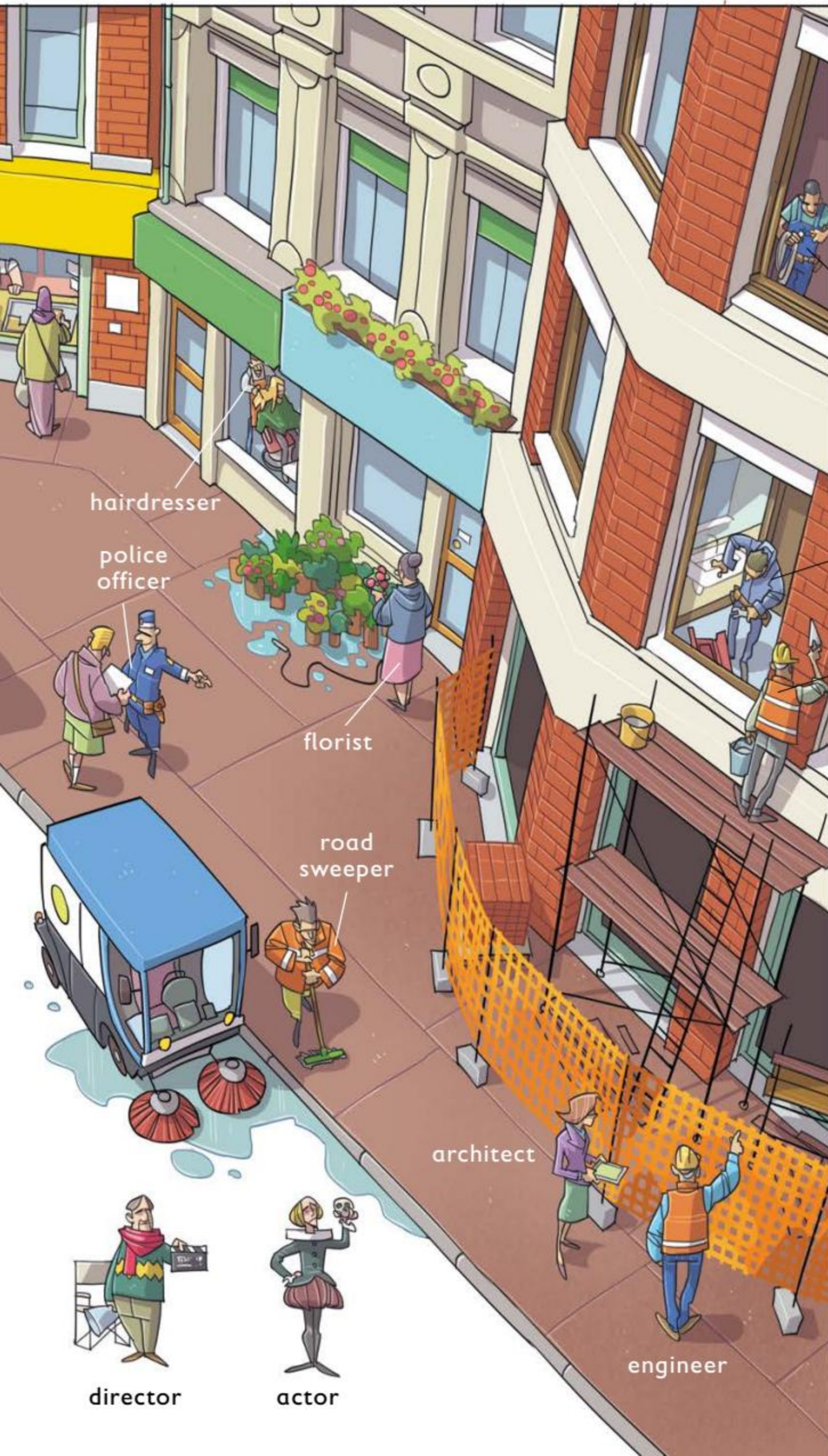
technician



model



lawyer



child-minder

electrician



ballerina

plumber

builder



labourer



painter



carpenter



director



actor



## 13 Work and professions

### A very good actor

- It's incredible. You're my favourite actor!
- I'm sorry, but you're mistaken! I'm not an actor!
  
- You're such a good actor! I'm so lucky to have met you!
- No! I'm not an actor! I've done a lot of jobs, but I've never been an actor!
  
- Really? So, what do you do?
- A lot of things... I'm a builder, a plumber and a painter, and even an electrician when necessary.
  
- Wow, that's great! Did you learn to do that for your new film?
- I already said, I'm not an actor! I've worked as a bus driver...
  
- Yes! I remember that! It was for the film "A bus to heaven"!
- Listen, I already told you...
  
- But my favourite film was "Sweet bread", when you were a baker!
- I've never been a baker!
  
- I know! Because the character was really an undercover police officer, just pretending to be a baker.
- Look... you're making a mistake!
  
- You've never been a police officer?
- No! I've been a postman, a fireman and a courier. But never a police officer.
  
- But...
- I've been a florist too, but...
  
- Yes! I remember that! You fell in love with a ballerina in that film!
- I keep telling you, you're making a mistake!!! My wife is a taxi-driver, not a ballerina! And I am not an actor!
  
- Okay, I believe you. You seem so sure...
- Of course I'm sure!
  
- I'm sorry if I insisted...
- Don't worry, it's no problem.
  
- But you really are amazing, you know?
- Why?
  
- Because you almost had me convinced... You really are a great actor!





## A closer look

### Working people



estate agent



scientist



painter



sculptor



seamstress



librarian



judge



entrepreneur



switchboard operator



interpreter



beautician



stylist

## Idioms

### All work and no play (makes Jack a dull boy)

(Spending too much time at work is bad for you)  
*Oh, come on... come with us to the match tonight. You'll have fun. Remember all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy!*

### To work one's fingers to the bone

(To work excessively hard)  
*I've worked my fingers to the bone all day, now I just want to curl up on the sofa and watch TV!*

### Labour of love

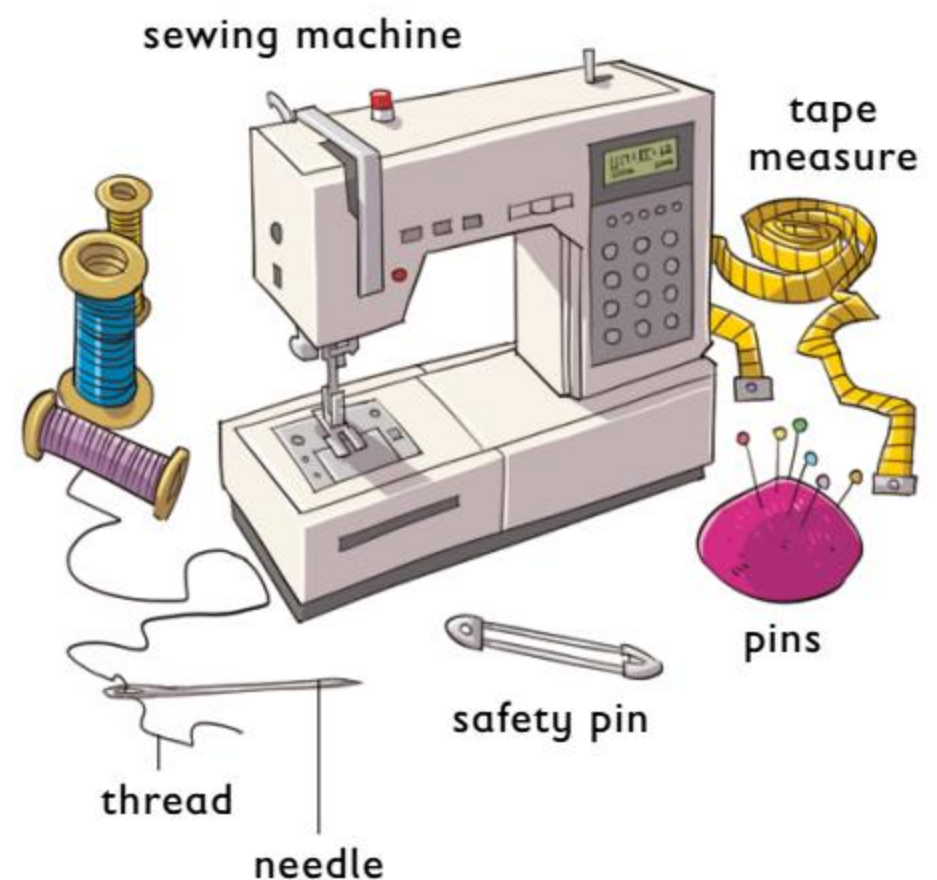
(Work that is done for pleasure rather than money)  
*Renovating this old car has been a real labour of love. Now, I don't even want to sell it!*

### Donkey work

(Work which is tedious or hard, sometimes physically demanding)  
*It's so unfair! I did all the donkey work on that project and my boss took all the credit!!*

## Details

### The seamstress





# 14 The theatre



poster



ticket



spectator



programme



usher



binoculars



dance company



ballerina

dancer

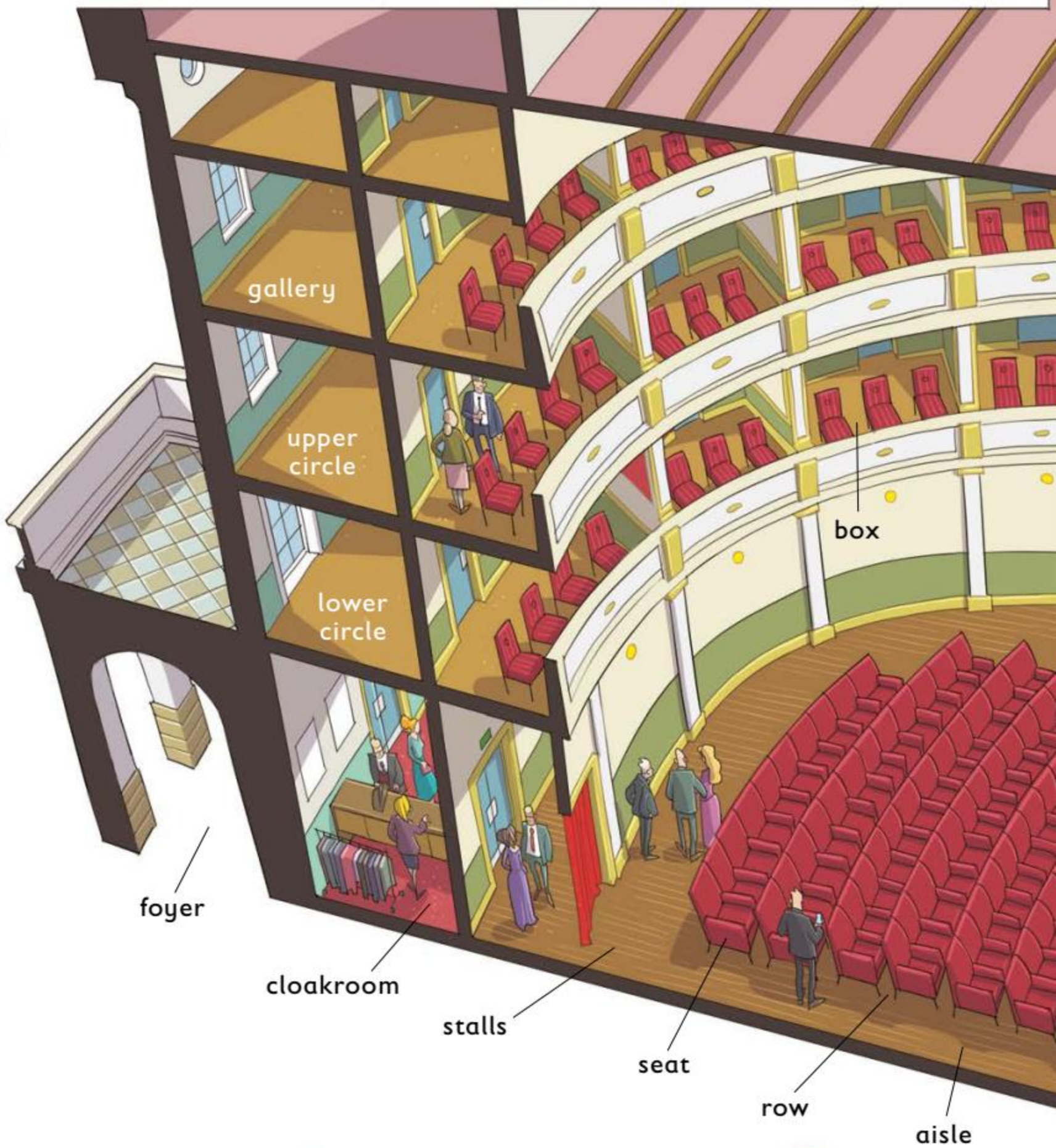


ballet shoes

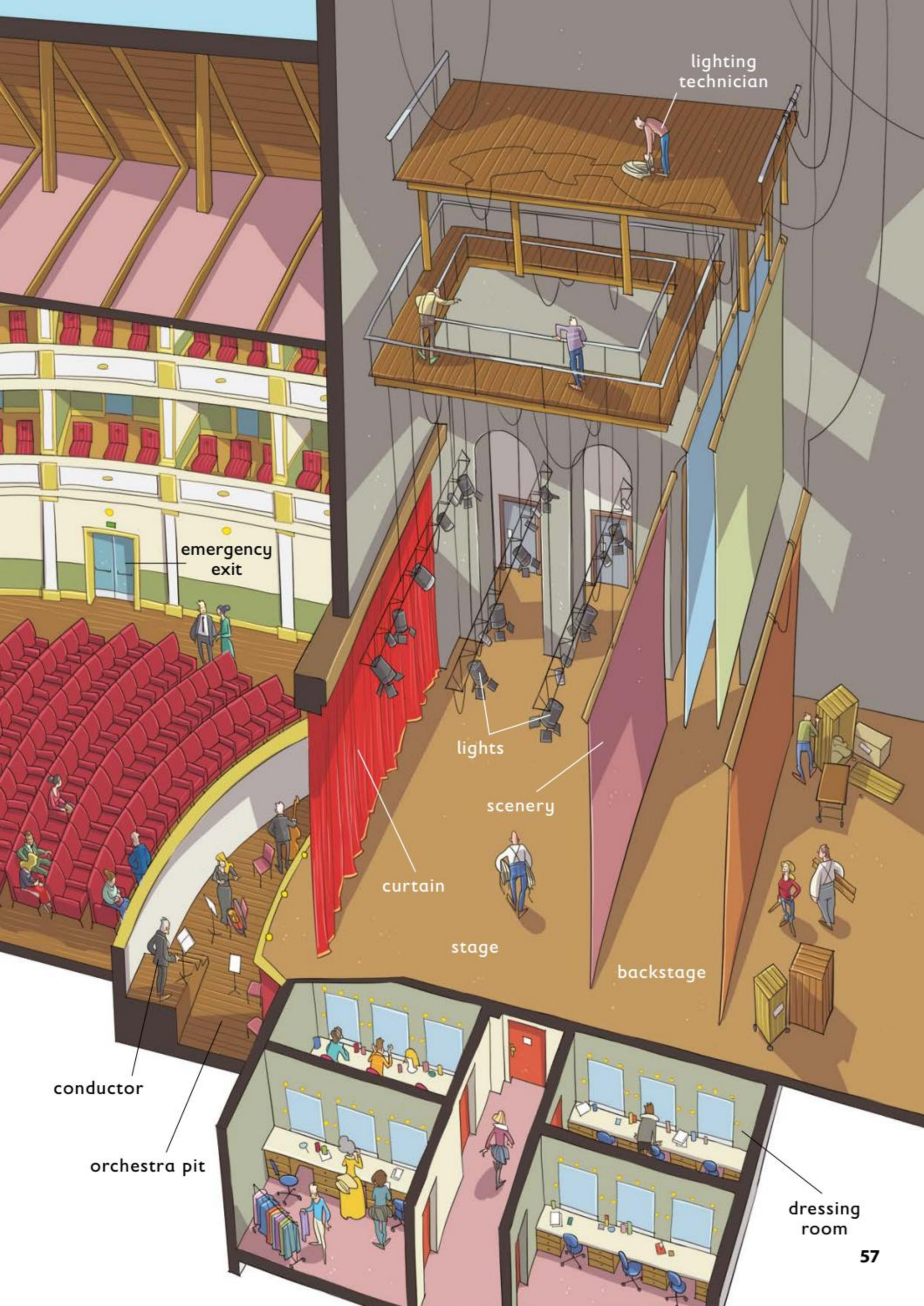


actress

actor







lighting technician

emergency exit

lights

scenery

curtain

stage

backstage

conductor

orchestra pit

dressing room



## 14 The theatre

### The show is starting!

- Can I help you, Sir?
- Yes, please... I'm not sure where I have to go...
  
- Look, these are the stalls, which seat number do you have?
- Well... I...
  
- Ah, do you have a box? You need to go back to the foyer and go up the stairs.
- But no, I...
  
- You need the gallery? Keep going up the stairs: the gallery is at the top.
- You don't understand, I'm not a spectator!
  
- No?
- No! I'm the lighting technician and I have to go backstage!
  
- Ah, I get it! The backstage entrance is behind the orchestra pit.
- Have the actors already arrived?
  
- Yes, they're in their dressing rooms, putting on their costumes.
- Great. Could I just borrow your binoculars?
  
- Of course, but... what do you need them for?
- I can't see very well, and I don't want it to end up like last time.
  
- Why? What happened?
- I couldn't see the stage very well and I fell onto the musicians!
  
- What a disaster!
- No! The audience laughed and laughed... I had to do an encore!





## A closer look

### Shows



tragedy



comedy



musical



classical ballet



carnival parade



school recital



monologue



recital (solo concert)



contemporary dance



mime

### Idioms

#### Break a leg!

(Good luck – typically used in the theatre before a performance)

*I hope your interview goes well today... break a leg!*

#### The show must go on

(An event or situation must continue despite difficulties)

*It's a shame we lost the funding for this recycling project, but the show must go on... we'll find a way!*

#### To steal the show

(To take all of the attention)

*Charles is such a lovely guy, but his brother is so charming and good-looking – Whenever they go out together, Matthew always steals the show!*

#### To set the scene

(To describe a situation in which a story is set)

*Let me set the scene for you... I was walking back from the gym with my best friend, Jackie. It was cold and dark, and it had just started to snow...*

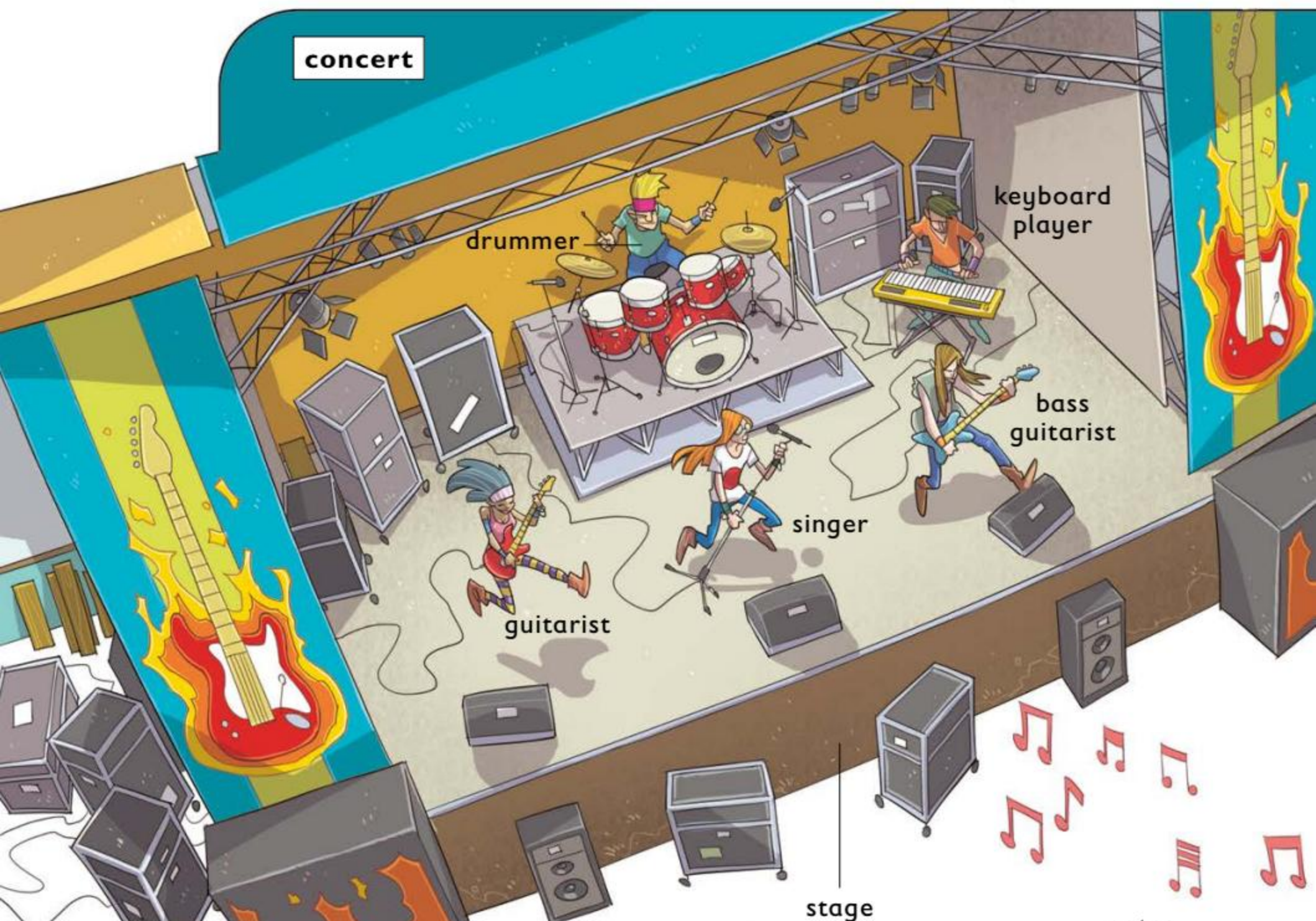
### Details

#### Carnival





# 15 Music



concert

drummer

keyboard player

bass guitarist

singer

guitarist

stage

notes

string instruments

percussion instruments

brass instruments

wind instruments



violin



recorder



kettledrum



trumpet



double bass



clarinet



bass drum



trombone



cello



saxophone



cymbals



cornet





acoustic guitar



electric guitar



bass guitar



drums



microphone



speakers



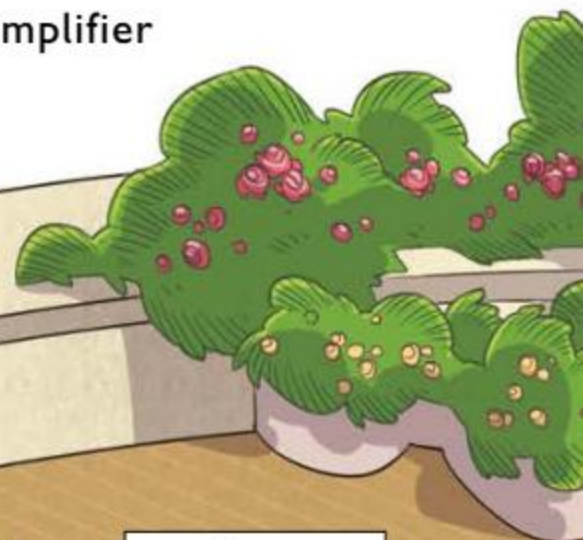
keyboard



score



amplifier



orchestra



piano

flute



accordion



baton



conductor

music stand



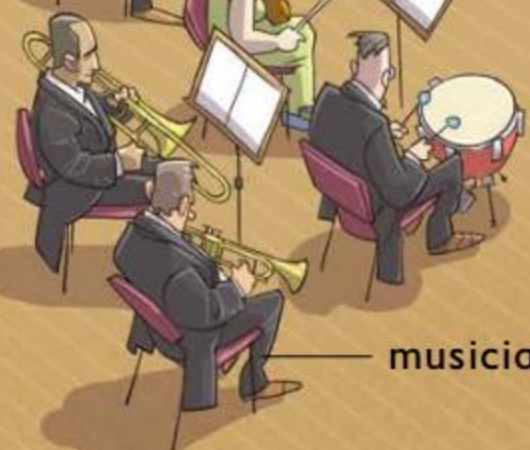
podium



harp



musician





## 15 Music

### New music

- Hi Steve! I've heard you're playing in a concert tonight!
- Yes, but I've changed the type of music I play.
- Really? No more rock?
- No! I think rock is too rhythmic! Those drums making all that noise, the loud bass guitar... Speakers and amplifiers... I was always stressed, and I couldn't sleep very well.
- And now, have things improved?
- Yes, things are much better!
- So, what do you play?
- I've joined an orchestra... we play classical music!
- Ah! Classical music is wonderful!
- Yes, it is! The amazing atmosphere in the theatres... And I love the sound of violins...
- You're right, violins sound fantastic!
- And I just love the clarinet: always full of such energy!
- It sounds like a big orchestra!
- Yes, and there's the brass section: the cornets, trumpets and trombones.
- But come on... you can admit that you miss those noisy drums!
- Ha! Ha! Not a bit! Anyway, we have the bass drum... Boom! Boom!
- Doesn't it get on your nerves? Isn't it just like the drums?
- No, because you hardly ever play the bass drum, it's not like the drums in rock music.
- Well, great! And I'm happy you don't have problems with your sleep anymore!
- Honestly... I still have a few problems!
- What do you mean?
- The music is so nice and relaxing that I fall asleep during the concerts!
- Oh no! So, what happens?
- Nothing: I wake up when I hear the applause!





## A closer look

### Making music



sing



play



dance



follow the beat



listen



conduct



tune



read music



applaud



light



present



take a bow

### Idioms

#### To be music to one's ears

(To be pleasant to hear)

*Finding out that school was closed because of the snow was music to my ears. I was delighted to have a day off!*

#### To face the music

(To deal with the consequences of one's actions)

*I can't believe I lost my Dad's new phone. I should never have taken it without asking him. I'll have to go home and face the music...*

#### To drum up

(To create or devise something)

*We're going to have to drum up some interest in our product if we want to make money selling them online.*

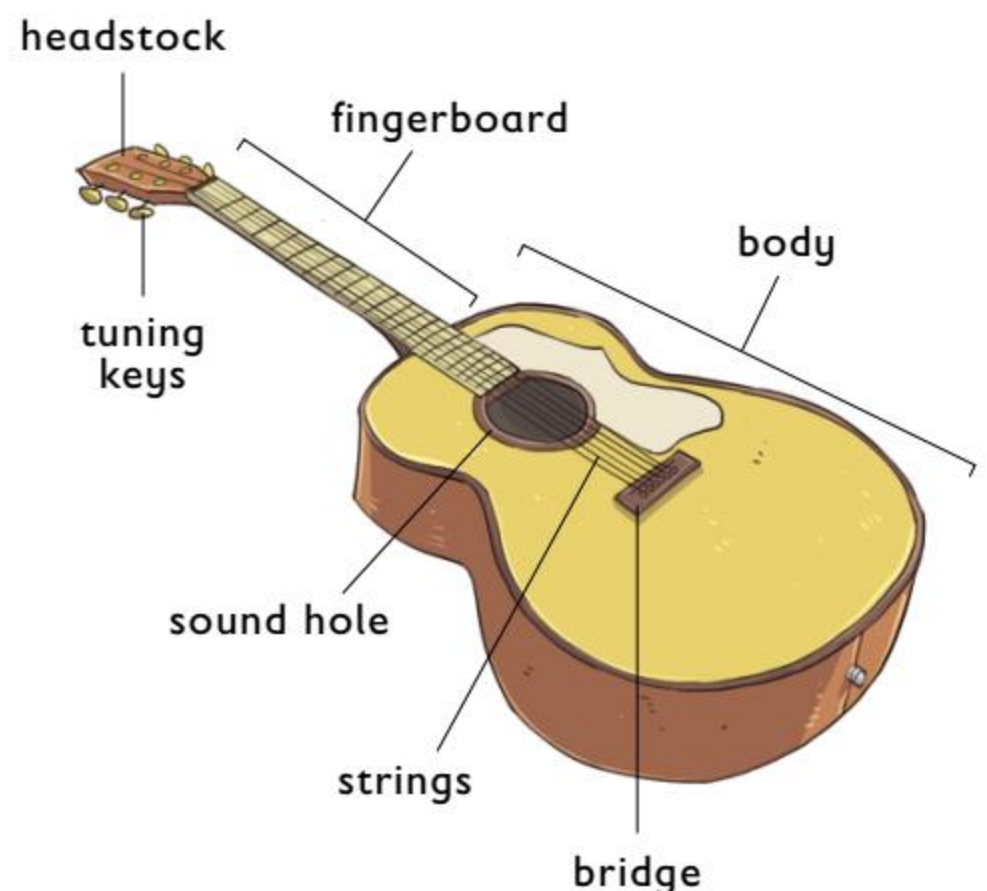
#### To sing from the same song-sheet

(To be in agreement)

*I'm glad that we're singing from the same song-sheet regarding the holiday. I thought you wanted to go on a cruise, not a camping holiday like me.*

### Details

#### Acoustic guitar





# 16 Free time



cards



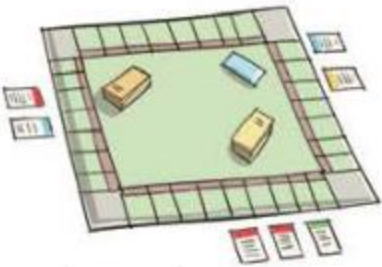
dominoes



backgammon



draughts



board game



die



piece



jigsaw puzzle



chess



pawn



rook



king



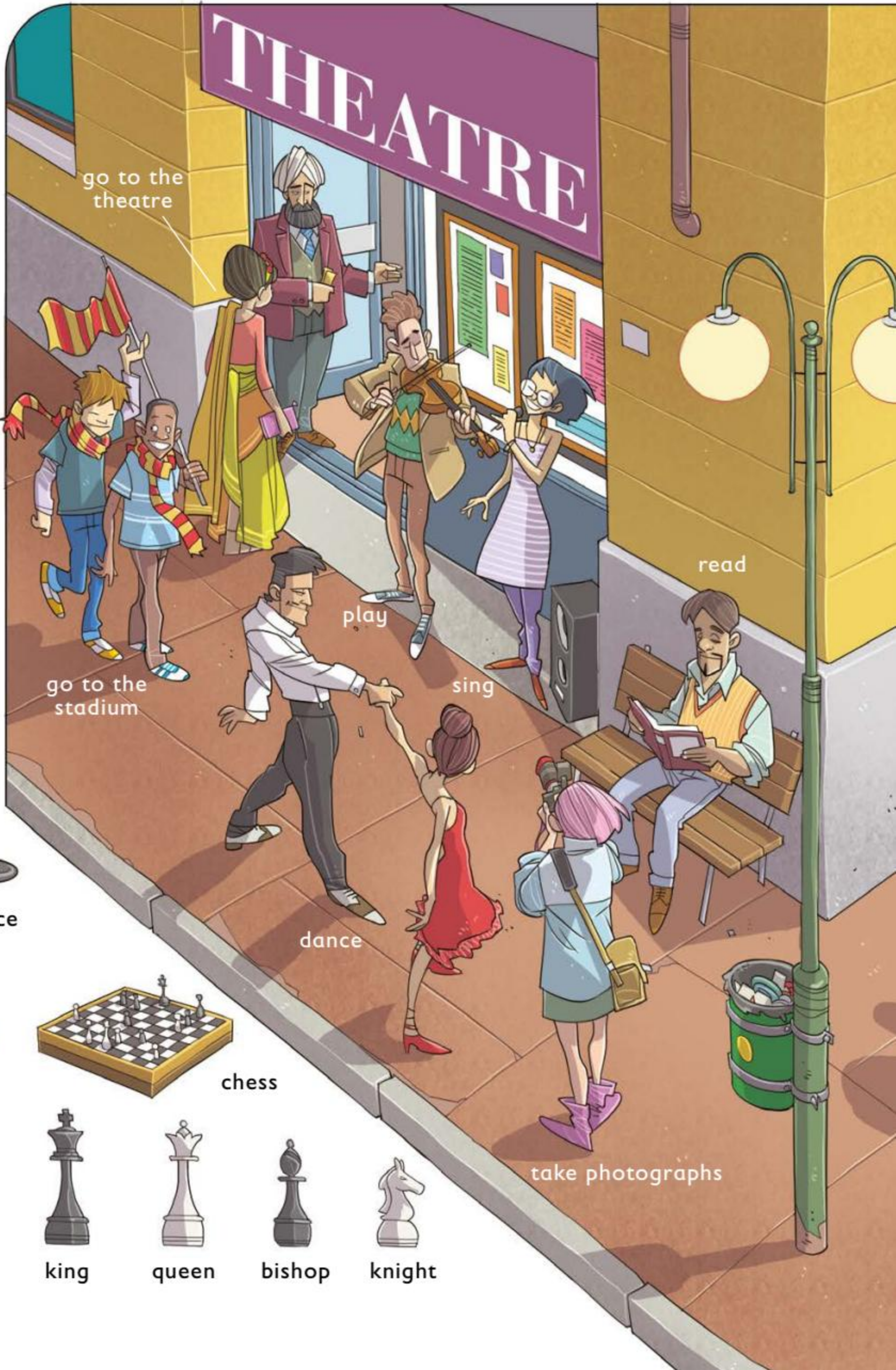
queen



bishop



knight



go to the theatre

play

sing

read

go to the stadium

dance

take photographs





play mikado



do sudoku



play scrabble



do crosswords



play videogames



collect stamps



embroider



knit



do pottery



make models



travel



do D.I.Y.



go to the cinema

listen to music

go to the gym

play cards

play chess

do gardening

paint

cook



## 16 Free time

### Hobbies and interests

- Hi Andy, what are you doing here?
- Hi, Silvia! I'm going to the theatre.
- Great!
- No, not really. I could really do without it! I'd love to just stay at home and read a book or play chess! I mean... when are we going to play?
- Never! You're a champion and I don't know the difference between a pawn and a knight!
- Ah! Ah! Scared of losing, eh?
- Of course! Come over to my house on Saturday evening! I've got some new board games to show you and we can play a couple of games, I'm sure to win!
- Don't be too sure... but of course I'll come over! Thanks!
- How's it going with the model-making?
- Well! I've almost finished the plane. I just need to paint it!
- Fantastic! You need a lot of patience for a hobby like model-making! I prefer something different: dancing, going to the cinema or to concerts. There's so much to do in the city!
- Hmm... I like going to the cinema too!
- But you just said you didn't want to go to the theatre... is watching a film so different from watching a play?
- It sure is!
- But why's that?
- Because when I go to the cinema I don't have to get up on stage and act!





## A closer look

### Playing cards



diamonds



spades



hearts



clubs



ace



joker



king



queen



jack



pack of cards



shuffle cards



deal cards

### Idioms

#### To hold all the cards

(To have the power or control in a situation)

*Jayne knows I saw her cheating in that test! I haven't decided whether to tell the teacher, but for now I'm holding all the cards and Jayne is really scared!*

#### Checkmate

(Complete defeat)

*There was no way I could win that argument. It was checkmate before I even opened my mouth to speak.*

#### To be at the top of one's game

(To be at one's best)

*I'm not playing golf so well any more. I think I was really at the top of my game last summer.*

#### To have an ace up one's sleeve

(To have a secret advantage/solution to a problem)

*It looked like the team would lose the game, but they had an ace up their sleeve – that new player, Jim Collins, entered the field just after half time and their luck really changed!*

### Details

#### Painting





# 17 On the computer



camera

calendar

scanner

desk

telephone

screen

modem

keyboard

mouse

laptop

tablet

ebook reader





headphones



headset



microphone



webcam



speakers



memory stick



electric cable



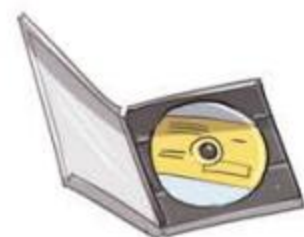
mobile phone



SIM card



charger



CD-ROM



chat



contacts



Wi-Fi connection



email



online shopping app



social network



message



browser



## 17 On the computer

### A very important message

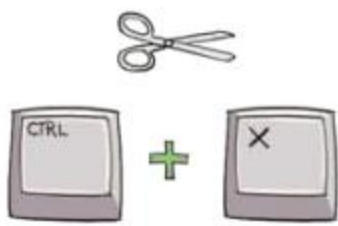
- Hi Adrian, what are you up to?
- I'm really busy Sandra, sorry...! I need to send out this message as soon as possible! First, I'll put it on the social networks!
- Yes, of course...
- Then I'll use the webcam to put a video on the Internet!
- Excellent! Then everyone will see it!
- I've posted it on my blog too, and I've sent an email to all my contacts!
- Wow! You're doing this on a huge scale!
- Of course! I've even recorded a voice message and sent it to all the radio stations!
- Seriously? You're really getting things done...!
- Yes, and I've sent messages to all the contacts in my address book on my phone... and now I'm chatting about it online.
- Well, if you're doing all this, it must be something really big...
- Exactly!
- So, what is it? Important news? A political scandal?
- No, something quite different!
- So? International secret services?
- Of course not! Nothing of the sort!
- So, tell me... what's it all about?
- It's the funniest joke I've ever heard!!!



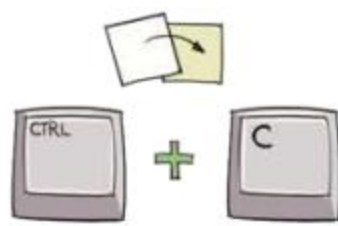


## A closer look

### Using technology



cut



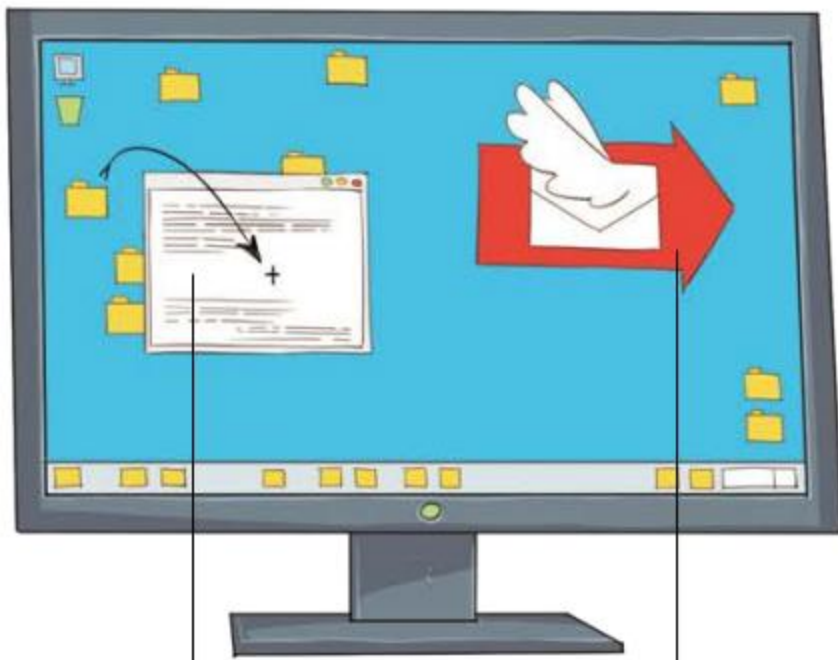
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paste

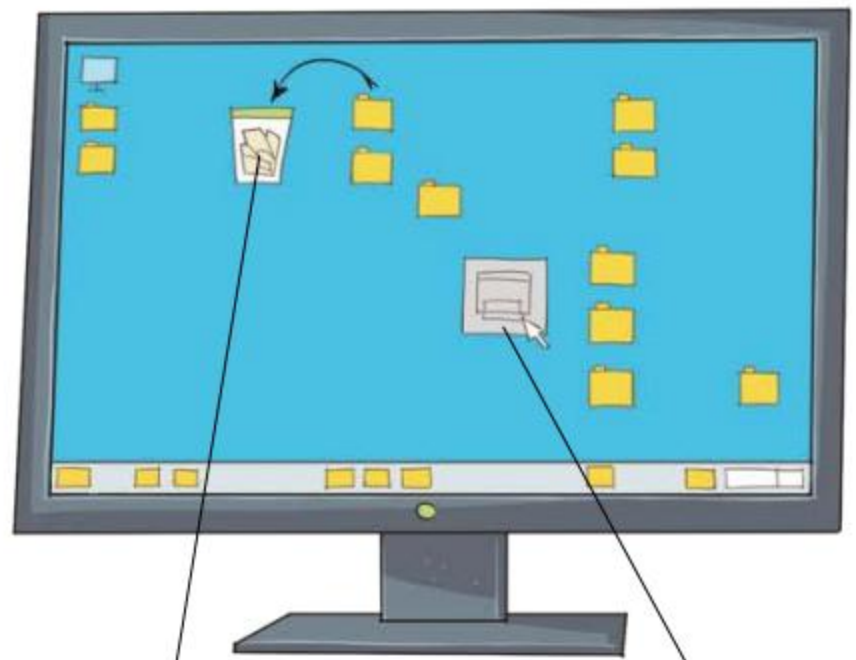


save



attach a file

send an email



delete a file

print

### Idioms

#### Mixed message

(A message that can be interpreted in different ways)

*I was getting mixed messages from Laurel. She was smiling and laughing but the tone of her voice made me think she was angry.*

#### To get the message

(To understand)

*Okay, I get the message... no need to shout!*

#### To press someone's buttons

(To do something to irritate or anger someone)

*I wish Stefanie would stop singing that terrible song. She knows I hate it and it's really pressing my buttons today!*

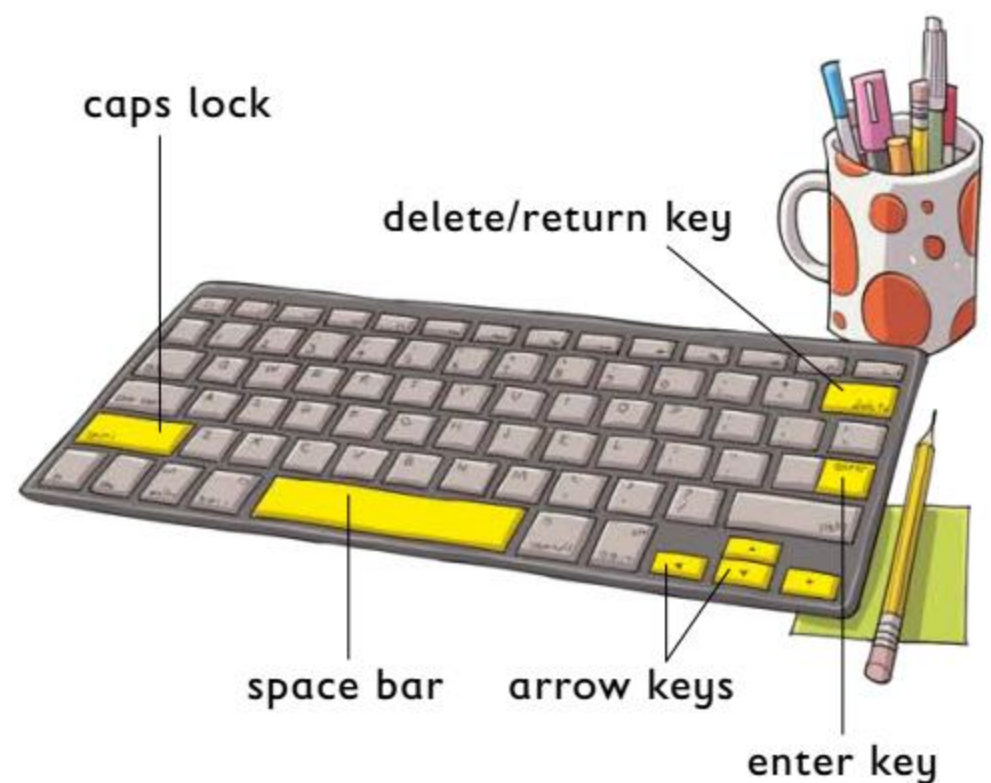
#### To be on the button

(To be right about something)

*You were really on the button when you said it would rain today!*

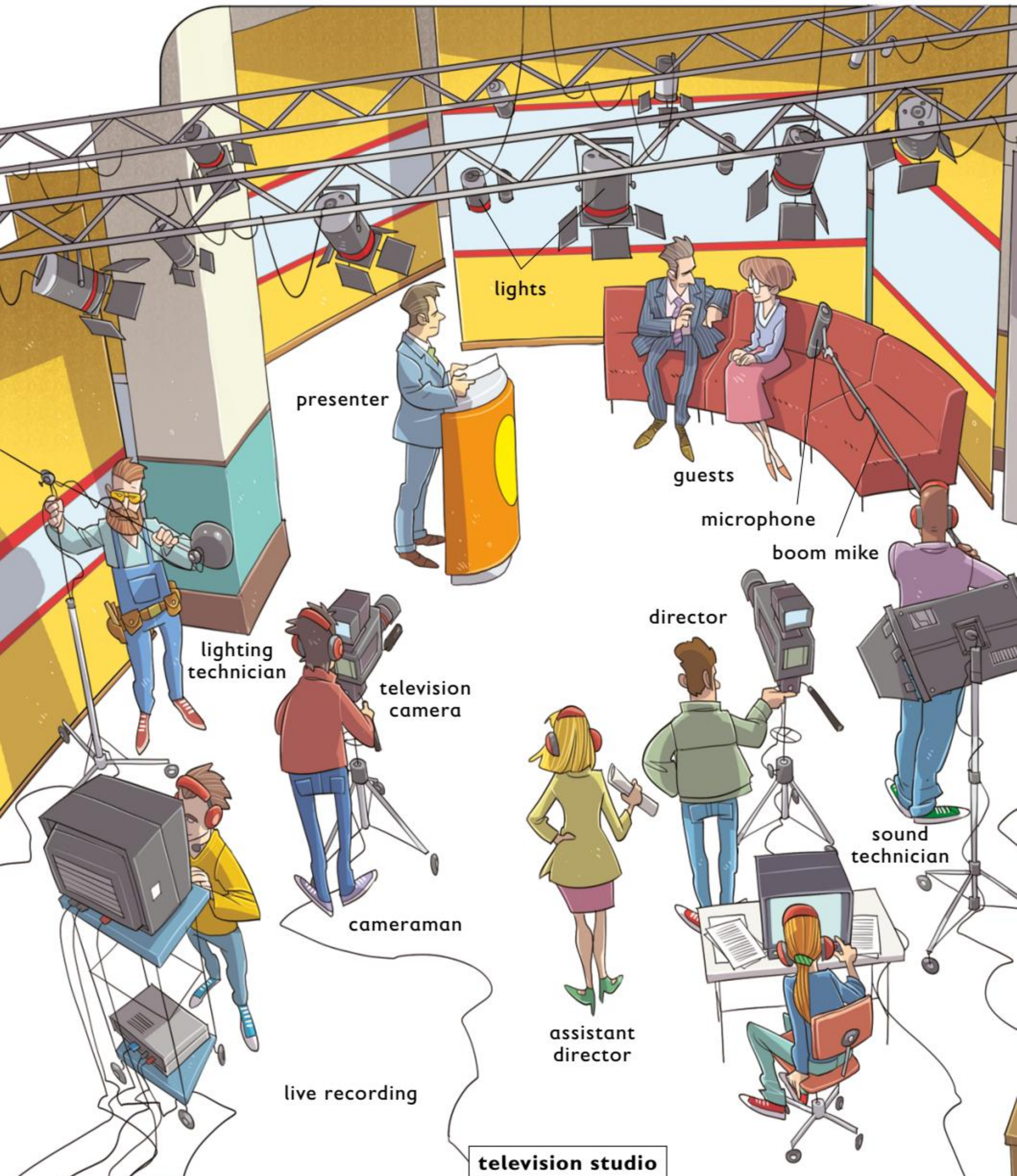
### Details

#### The keyboard





# 18 On television





# TV programmes



cartoons



talk show



cooking programme



documentary



the news



weather forecast



sport



talent show



reality show



police film



adventure film



sitcom



romantic film



advertising



sci-fi film



quiz show



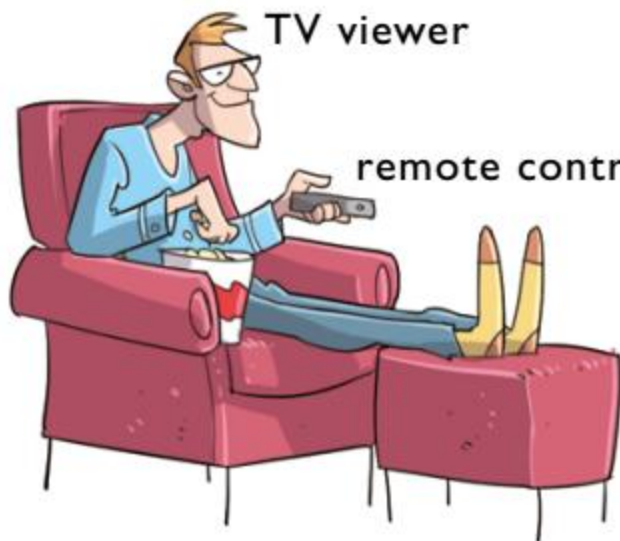
music programme



traffic update



TV editing



TV viewer

remote control



television



## 18 On television

### What a great programme!

- Good morning, here I am!
- There you are, finally! We've been waiting for half an hour!
  
- I'm so sorry, but they only just told me!
- Well, have you heard of our programme?
  
- Of course... I watch it every day! It's my favourite!
- Thank you! So, you know what it's about?
  
- Sure! TV quiz shows are my favourites!
- It's not a TV quiz show!
  
- You're right, it's a cooking programme!
- No, no! It's a talent show!
  
- Really? I thought it was more of a reality show...
- Reality and talent shows are two very different things! Ours is a talent show for aspiring singers.
  
- A music programme too! Imagine that!
- Are you sure you've heard of our show?
  
- I already told you I have: I always watch it after the news.
- There are cartoons on air before our programme! And the weather forecast is afterwards!
  
- That's fine, it doesn't matter! Where do I need to go now?
- To the camera: the programme is about to start!
  
- The camera...
- That one down there, number 2.
  
- But they're all the same!
- Listen, what sort of cameraman are you?! You don't know anything!
  
- What do you mean, cameraman?! I'm the barman from the café across the street! They called me with a coffee order for "In the kitchen" my favourite TV show!





## A closer look

### In front of the TV



enjoy



get bored



get frightened



watch closely



laugh



cry



fall asleep



dream



record



channel hop

## Idioms

### To get with the programme

(To adhere to the rules)

*Monica, if you don't get with the programme and concentrate harder on your training, the coach won't let you play on the team anymore!*

### To channel surf

(To frequently change channels when watching TV)

*I didn't want to go out last night, so I stayed at home and channel surfed all evening.*

### To change channels

(To change the topic of conversation)

*We were talking about the general election, but I changed channels pretty quickly when I realised that Sue was getting upset.*

### The small screen

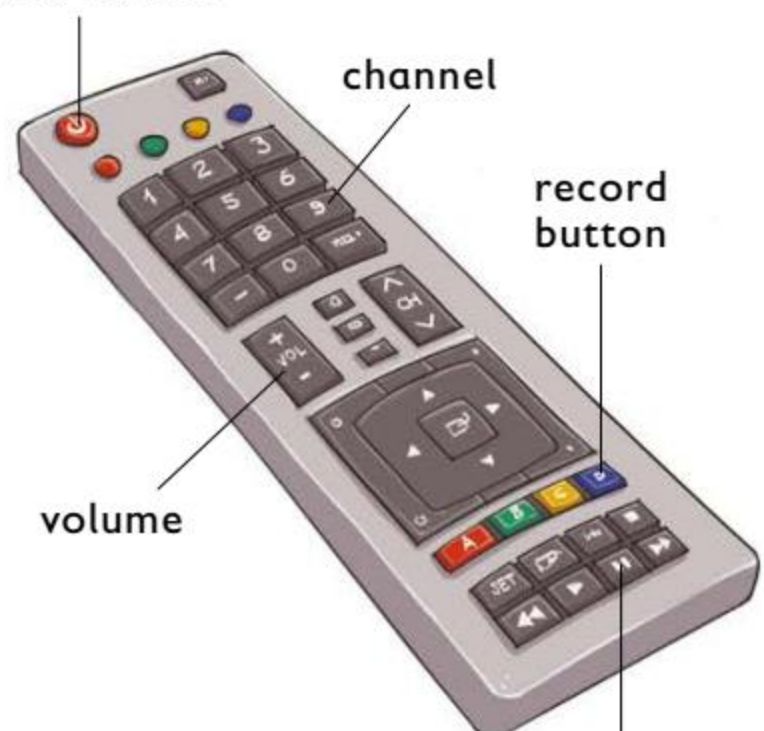
(The television)

*Many people don't realise that she wasn't always a Hollywood star... she became famous on the small screen when she hosted that kids' music programme "Saturday morning Pop".*

## Details

### The remote control

on/off button



channel

record button

volume

pause