

1-Use the intermediate lesson to quickly discuss the **bold** vocabulary. Make sure everyone understands these terms. Then have the students discuss as a group the questions below. Encourage the quieter students to offer their input.

2-Do you like the home you have now? Are you **anxious** to move to something nicer? Do you enjoy spending time at home? Do you **dread** being “home alone” or is it something you look forward to?

3-Name all of the places you have lived.

4-As a child, did you share a bedroom with **siblings**? Did you like sharing or did you want your own room? Do your children share rooms? Is it common in your country for every child to have his/her own room?

5-What part of town do you live in? EX: I live in north Austin. I live in central Austin. I live near Pflugerville.

6-Rank these places to live from favorite to least favorite.

a large capital city a small town a seaside town a mountain town
rural area with no towns nearby town on an island

7-Which of these words would describe your ideal home:

modern old fashioned spacious single story **quaint**
brand new condo **duplex**

8-How many bedrooms and bathrooms would your ideal home have? Would you include any **half baths**? Would all of the baths have bathtubs?

9-Would your **ideal** house have a guest room, or do you think that is a waste of space?

10-Explain the difference between a porch, patio and balcony.

11-Do you prefer **tiled** floors, hardwood floors or carpeted floors?

12-How important are high efficient appliances to you? Would you buy them for your home even though they were more expensive?

13-Would you ever keep an animal inside your house? Do you keep plants inside your house?

14-Are you comfortable with a bit of clutter, or do you keep everything **spic and span**?

15-If you could change only one thing about your current house, what would it be?

16-Do you like **DIY** projects? What DIY projects have you done on your house or apartment?

17-Do you have any house rules? (EX: taking shoes off before entering)

18-How are houses different in the U.S. from what you experienced in your own country?

19-Do you prefer white walls or walls with lots of color?

20-Do you prefer drapes (aka curtains), blinds or shutters?

21-Do you enjoy having house guests? How often do you have house guests? There is an old saying, "Guests, like fish, begin to stink after three days." Do you agree?

22-Which room do you spend the most time in? Which room would you prefer to spend the most time in?

23-Would you prefer to live on a quiet street far from the city center or near the center where there are many shops and restaurants?

24-Explain this quote: "Hospitality is making your guests feel at home, even though you wish they were."