

**1. Warm Up:**

**Talk about your house with your group. Answer these questions for every student.**

- a) How many rooms does your house have?
- b) Is your house one **story** or two story?
- c) Do you have a **garage**? Is it an **attached** or **detached** garage? Where do you park your car?
- d) How many **bedrooms** are in your house?
- e) How many **bathrooms** are in your house?
- f) Do you have any **half bathrooms**?
- g) Do you have **carpets** or **rugs** in your house?
- h) Do you have **tile** or **hardwood** floors in your house?
- i) What areas are carpeted?
- j) Do you have an **eat in** kitchen?
- k) Do you have a **formal dining** room? Do you ever eat in there?
- l) Do you have an **attic**?
- m) Do you have a **basement**?
- n) Do you have a **fence**?
- o) Do you have a **porch, patio** or **balcony**?
- p) Do you have a **laundry room**? Where do you wash your clothes?
- q) Do you have **drapes, curtains, blinds** or **shutters** on the windows?
- r) Do you have any **twin** beds or **bunk** beds?
- s) Do you have a **sidewalk** or **driveway**?
- t) Do you have **steps** up to the front door?
- u) Does your house have bathtubs or **showers**?
- v) Do you have very tall **ceilings** in your house?
- w) Do you have a **fireplace** in your house? What is a **chimney**?
- x) How many smoke **detectors** does your house have? Do you change the **batteries** frequently?
- y) Do you have **walk in closets** in your house?
- z) Does your refrigerator have an **automatic ice maker**?
- aa) Do you have a **flat screen TV**? Does it hang on the wall or sit on a **stand**?
- bb) Do you have many **halls** in your house? Do you have an **entry** hall?
- cc) Do you have a **pantry** in your kitchen? What do you keep in your pantry?
- dd) Does anyone in your group live in a **mobile home**?
- ee) Do you have any **armchairs** in your living room?
- ff) Does your kitchen have lots of **cabinets**?
- gg) Does your kitchen have lots of **counter space**?

2. **Leak** is a verb. If a **container** has a hole in it, liquid or gas can get out. EX: This **bucket** leaks. It must have a hole. The water is leaking out of the can.

**Leaky** and **leaking** are adjectives. EX: I have a leaky roof. Every time it rains, water drips on my floor. The leaking roof is a problem.

Explain the difference between a leaky roof and a leaking roof.

3. You should have plenty of **insulation** in your attic. If you don't have good insulation, your house will be too cold or too hot. The insulation lies between the **rafters** in your attic. Have you ever been in your attic to check for insulation?

4. A **sofa** and a **couch** are the same. Some sofas come in pieces. These are called sectional sofas. A three piece sectional sofa has three movable pieces. Some sofas have **ottomans**. You put your feet on ottomans. Some ottomans have **storage** inside. Some sofas have soft sofa cushions. Some people add pillows to their sofa for decoration and comfort.

5. **Remote** means something far away. The device that changes the **channel** on your TV even when far away is called a remote. Do you use a remote for your TV?

6. Beds usually have two **sheets**. The bottom sheet has **elastic** on the corners. It is called a **fitted** sheet. The top sheet is **flat**. It is called a flat sheet. Some people also have **blankets** or **quilts** on their beds. On top of everything is a **bedspread** which is usually decorative. All of this together is called **bedding**.

7. Many people have small tables beside their bed. These are called **bedside** tables. They usually have a **lamp** on them for reading in bed. My bedside table has a **drawer**. I keep a **flashlight** inside. I also keep some pencils and **notepads** for writing things down. What is inside your bedside table?

8. Your apartment or house should have smoke **detectors**. If you "**detect**" something you find it or notice it. A smoke detector detects smoke and an **alarm sounds** to warn you. Smoke detectors use **batteries**. You must change the batteries when they are old.

9. Brainstorm some things that you would find in a laundry room. Write down any words you don't know.

10. What does **tumble dry** mean?      What does **dry clean** mean?      Do you dry clean your clothes?

11. Do you have a bathroom scale in your bathroom? Scales weigh things. Do you frequently weigh yourself?

12. DIY means "do it yourself". Some people like to buy old homes and "fix them up" themselves. They like DIY projects. Do you?