

## Activity Type

Vocabulary and Speaking  
Activity: information gap, asking and answering questions, table completion, unscrambling, matching (group work)

## Focus

Vocabulary related to furniture and things found in the home

## Aim

To practice vocabulary related to furniture and things found in the home.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Also, make one copy of the character cards for each group of 12 and cut as indicated.

## Level

Intermediate (B1)

## Time

25 minutes

## Introduction

Here is a fun furniture information gap activity to help students practice vocabulary related to furniture and things found in the home.

## Procedure

Divide the students into groups of 12. Give each student in the group a copy of the worksheet and a character card.

Tell the students that they each bought a household item or piece of furniture from a market that has a problem.

Explain that they are going to take on the role of the person on their card and that their task is to ask each group member the intended location of the item they bought and the problem, completing a table with the information.

Draw the students' attention to the table on the worksheet and elicit the three questions they need to ask to find out the information.

What is your name?

What part of the house was the item you bought for?

What was the problem with it?

To start, students write their own information in the table.

Next, students go around their group, asking and answering the questions, writing their answers in the table.

When the students have finished, they unscramble words related to furniture and things found in the home.

### Exercise B - Answer key

- |             |           |            |
|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 1. sink     | 5. mirror | 9. lamp    |
| 2. tap      | 6. drawer | 10. shelf  |
| 3. wardrobe | 7. bench  | 11. sofa   |
| 4. curtain  | 8. sheet  | 12. carpet |

Lastly, students refer to the information in the table and write the item that each person bought in the last column.

Afterwards, review the correct answers with the class.

### Exercise C - Answer key

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|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Tina: sofa  | Lee: tap      | Aika: mirror  |
| Ali: carpet | Ina: wardrobe | Luis: curtain |
| Miko: lamp  | Pedro: sheet  | Nick: bench   |
| Maia: shelf | Kim: drawer   | Rita: sink    |

**A. Ask each person in your group which part of the house the item they bought was for and what problem they had with it. Write their answers in the table.**

Name	Place it was for	Problem	Item bought
Tina			
Ali			
Miko			
Maia			
Lee			
Ina			
Pedro			
Kim			
Aika			
Luis			
Nick			
Rita			

**B. Rearrange the letters to form the names of furniture and things found in the home.**

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|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. ....<br>INSK     | 5. ....<br>RRMIRO | 9. ....<br>MPLA    |
| 2. ....<br>APT      | 6. ....<br>AWDRRE | 10. ....<br>HELFS  |
| 3. ....<br>AWRDOBRE | 7. ....<br>ENBCH  | 11. ....<br>OFSA   |
| 4. ....<br>CTAIURN  | 8. ....<br>EESHT  | 12. ....<br>ARPCET |

**C. Match each word above to the correct person and write the word in the last column.**



**Miko**

You bought something for the study.

**Problem:** It wouldn't turn on.

**Ali**

You bought something for the hall.

**Problem:** It had dirty footprints on it.

**Aika**

You bought something for the bathroom.

**Problem:** It broke on the way home.

**Ina**

You bought something for the bedroom.

**Problem:** The door came off.

**Kim**

You bought something for the desk in your study.

**Problem:** It wouldn't open and close.

**Rita**

You bought something for the kitchen.

**Problem:** It was too small to do the washing up in.

**Nick**

You bought something for the garden.

**Problem:** It was too hard to sit on.

**Lee**

You bought something for the bathroom.

**Problem:** Water wouldn't come out of it.

**Tina**

You bought something for the living room.

**Problem:** It was very uncomfortable.

**Luis**

You bought something for the living room.

**Problem:** It was too small for the window.

**Pedro**

You bought something for the bedroom.

**Problem:** It was too small for the bed.

**Maia**

You bought something for the living room.

**Problem:** It wouldn't stay on the wall.