**5** Where we live

Glossary

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* 1. **apartment block** (n) /əˈpɑːtmənt blɒk/ an apartment building with several floors
     + *I live on the third floor of an apartment block.*
* condominio ✎ Syn: block of flats

Reading **Pages 54–55**

* 1. **heating** (n) /ˈhiːtɪŋ/

a system that makes a house or building warm inside ● *This apartment is cold because the cost of heating is too expensive.* ➣ heat (v), heater (n), hot (adj) ❖ riscaldamento

* 1. **access** (n) /ˈækses/

the right or possibility to use sth ● *It’s difficult to get internet access on the island.* ➣ access (v), accessible (adj) ❖ accesso

* 1. **gas** (n) /gæs/

a substance like air that is burnt as fuel

* + - *Many people now use gas to heat their homes.* ❖ gas
  1. **off-grid** (adj) /ˌɒf ˈɡrɪd/

not connected to the country’s power supplies

* + - *Some mountain villages in Greece were off- grid with no electricity until the 21st century.*

➣ grid (n) ❖ non connesso alla rete

* 1. **switch on** (v) /swɪʧ ˈɒn/

to turn sth on ● *Let’s switch the TV on and watch the news.* ❖ accendere

* 1. **decision** (n) /dɪˈsɪʒn/

a choice you make after thinking about sth

* + - *I must make a decision soon about what I want to do when I finish school.* ➣ decide (v), decisive (adj), decisively (adv) ❖ decisione
  1. **harm** (v) /hɑːm/

to hurt or damage ● *Microplastics cause water pollution, which harms sea creatures.* ➣ harm (n), harmful (adj) ❖ danneggiare

* 1. **network** (n) /ˈnetwɜːk/

a system of lines, roads, etc. that are connected to each other ● *The underground railway network connects most areas of the city.* ❖ rete

* 1. **zip-line** (n) /ˈzɪp laɪn/

a cable or rope stretched between two points, that people can slide along ● *The adventure park has a zip-line which children love sliding down above the ground.* ❖ teleferica

* 1. **permanent** (adj) /ˈpɜːmənənt/

always there ● *She’s living in Oxford to study at university, but her permanent home is in Rhodes.* ➣ permanence (n), permanently (adv) ❖ permanente ✎ Opp: temporary

* 1. **resident** (n) /ˈrezɪdənt/

a person who lives in a particular place

* + - *The residents of this city are very proud of its history.* ➣ reside (v), residential (adj)
* residente
  1. **vision** (n) /ˈvɪʒn/

an idea of how things might be ● *The architect had a vision of how the underground house would fit into the natural environment.*

* visione
  1. **agency** (n) /ˈeɪdʒənsi/

a government organisation ● *CIA stands for Central Intelligence Agency.* ➣ agent (n)

* agenzia
  1. **connection** (n) /kəˈnekʃn/

a link ● *They have no phone connection because there’s a problem with the lines.*

➣ connect (v) ❖ connessione

* 1. **eco-friendly** (adj) /ˈiːkəʊˈfrendli/

not harmful to the environment ● *Paper bags are more eco-friendly than plastic ones as they can be recycled.* ❖ rispettoso dell'ambiente

* 1. **cable** (n) /ˈkeɪbl/

a strong thick metal rope used on ships, for supporting bridges, etc. ● *The bridge isn’t safe because the cables might break.* ❖ cavo

* 1. **stretch** (v) /stretʃ/

to spread or pull sth as far as possible ● *The electricity cables stretched between the poles down the mountainside.* ❖ allungarsi

* 1. **rent** (v) /rent/

to allow sb to use a house, shop, etc. in return for regular payments ● *The old lady owns four flats, which she rents to four families for 400 euros a month.* ➣ rent (n) ❖ affittare

* 1. **floor** (n) /flɔː/

a level of a building ● *I work on the second floor of this building.* ❖ piano

* 1. **lift** (n) /lɪft/

a machine that goes up and down in a tall building and that people can ride in ● *The lift took five minutes to go from the first floor to the top floor.* ➣ lift (v) ❖ ascensore

✎ Also: elevator (US Eng)

* 1. **select** (v) /sɪˈlekt/

to choose ● *He selected the fastest internet connection in his neighbourhood.*

➣ selection (n) ❖ selezionare, scegliere

* 1. **freezer** (n) /ˈfriːzə(r)/

an electrical appliance which keeps food frozen to store it for a long time ● *I bought some ice cream for the party and put it*

*in the freezer.* ➣ freeze (v), frozen, freezing (adj) ❖ freezer

* 1. **book** (v) /bʊk/

to make arrangements to stay in a place,

go to a theatre, eat at a restaurant, etc. on a particular date or time ● *Mum and Dad have booked a holiday in Italy this summer.*

➣ booking (n) ❖ prenotare

* 1. **historic** (adj) /hɪˈstɒrɪk/

important in history ● *The signing of the American Declaration of Independence was a historic occasion.* ➣ history, historian (n), historical (adj) ❖ storico

* 1. **opinion** (n) /əˈpɪnjən/

what you think of sth ● *What’s your opinion of this painting? Do you like it?* ❖ opinione

* 1. **exhibition** (n) /ˌeksɪˈbɪʃən/

a show of paintings, interesting objects, etc. that people can go to see ● *You can get ideas for your home at furniture exhibitions.*

➣ exhibit (v) ❖ esposizione

* 1. **repair** (n) /rɪˈpeə(r)/

sth you do to fix a thing that is damaged or not working ● *The repairs to our car will cost a lot because there was so much damage.*

➣ repair (v) ❖ riparazione

* 1. **roof** (n) /ruːf/

the structure that covers the top of a building

* + - *The houses in our village all have red roofs and white walls.* ❖ tetto
  1. **gift** (n) /ɡɪft/

a thing that you give sb; a present ● *My grandparents gave me a wonderful gift on my birthday.* ❖ dono

* 1. **remain** (v) /rɪˈmeɪn/

to continue to be sth; to be in the same condition ● *They met when they were children and remained friends all their lives.*

* rimanere

Vocabulary **Page 56**

* 1. **household** (adj) /ˈhaʊshəʊld/ relating to things or people in a home
     + *Household waste like paper and glass can be recycled, so don’t throw it out.*
* familiare
  1. **accommodation** (n) /əkɒməˈdeɪʃn/

a place where you stay ● *The cost of accommodation is too high in the city centre, so we rented a house a few miles away.*

➣ accommodate (v) ❖ alloggio

* 1. **cottage** (n) /ˈkɒtɪʤ/

a small house in the country ● *They bought a cottage in the country where they stayed at weekends and during holidays.* ❖ cottage, casetta

* 1. **flatmate** (n) /ˈflætmeɪt/

sb who shares a flat with you ● *My flatmate and I share the cost of renting this flat.*

* coinquilino
  1. **property** (n) /ˈprɒpəti/

the things that you own ● *This piece of land and the buildings on it are the property of a local farmer.* ❖ proprietà

* 1. **countryside** (n) /ˈkʌntrisaɪd/

land with fields, woods, etc. ● *They hate living in the city and want to buy a house in the countryside.* ❖ campagna

* 1. **ladder** (n) /ˈlædə(r)/

a set of steps that you can carry for climbing up and down to reach high parts of a building or wall, etc. ● *I climbed up the ladder to paint the high wall.* ❖ scala (a pioli)

* 1. **balcony** (n) /ˈbælkəni/

a platform with bars around it that is built on a high level on the outside wall of a building

* + - *We live on the third floor, so we haven’t got a garden, but we can sit outside on our balcony.*
* balcone
  1. **bucket** (n) /ˈbʌkɪt/

a container for carrying liquid or other things

* + - *In the past, farmers carried cow’s milk in buckets.* ❖ secchio
  1. **dishwasher** (n) /ˈdɪʃwɒʃə(r)/

a machine which you put plates, cups, etc. into to wash them ● *Mandy hasn’t got a*

*dishwasher, so she does the washing up in the sink.* ❖ lavastoviglie

* 1. **iron** (n) /ˈaɪən/

a device that makes clothes flat by pressing them ● *Be careful not to touch the front of the iron. It’s very hot!* ➣ ironing (n), iron (v)

* ferro da stiro
  1. **kettle** (n) /ˈketl/

an electric jug or specially shaped pot for boiling water ● *Grandma boils water in a pot on the cooker because she hasn’t got an electric kettle.* ❖ bollitore

* 1. **ceiling** (n) /ˈsiːlɪŋ/

the top inside surface of a room ● *We painted the walls of the room green and the ceiling white.* ❖ soffitto

* 1. **washing machine** (n) /ˈwɒʃɪŋ məʃiːn/

a machine for washing clothes, etc. ● *When the washing machine broke down, I couldn’t wash my clothes until I bought a new one.*

* lavatrice

Grammar **Page 57**

* 1. **rest** (v) /rest/

to relax; to take a break ● *After doing all the housework, I stopped to rest and had a cup of tea.* ❖ riposare

* 1. **promise** (n) /ˈprɒmɪs/

a statement that tells sb that you will definitely do or not do sth ● *I said I’ll help you and I’ll keep my promise.* ➣ promise (v), promising (adj) ❖ promessa

* 1. **threat** (n) /θret/

a statement saying that you will do sth bad or harmful to sb/sth ● *The teacher made a threat to tell my parents if I forgot to do my homework again.* ➣ threaten (v) ❖ minaccia

* 1. **prediction** (n) /prɪˈdɪkʃn/

a statement saying what will happen in the future ● *My prediction for the future is that one day we will live on other planets.* ➣ predict (v)

* previsione
  1. **expect** (v) /ɪkˈspekt/

to think that sth will happen ● *I expect we’re having dinner with my grandparents this weekend. We always do.* ➣ expectation (n)

* prevedere
  1. **suppose** (v) /səˈpəʊz/

to think that sth is true or possible based on the knowledge you have ● *They had a very long flight and I suppose they were tired.*

* supporre
  1. **evidence** (n) /ˈevɪdəns/

information, proof ● *We know that people ate olives long ago because scientists have found evidence.* ❖ prova

* 1. **turn down** (phr v) /tɜːn daʊn/

to make quieter ● *Mum is always telling me to turn down my music, but I like it loud!*

* abbassare
  1. **originally** (adv) /əˈrɪʤɪnəli/

before other things happened; before things changed ● *Alcino is originally from Brazil, but now he lives in Greece.* ➣ origin (n), original (adj) ❖ originariamente

* 1. **architecture** (n) /ˈɑːkɪtektʃə(r)/

the study of designing buildings and other structures ● *Santiago Calatrava, who designed the modern Olympic stadium in Athens, studied architecture at university in Valencia.*

* architettura
  1. **imagine** (v) /ɪˈmædʒɪn/

to have an idea or a picture in your mind of how sth could be ● *In wealthy countries,*

*people can’t imagine living in a home without electricity or running water.* ➣ imaginary, imaginative (adj), imaginatively (adv), imagination (n) ❖ immaginare

Listening **Page 58**

* 1. **houseboat** (n) /ˈhaʊsbəʊt/

a river boat that you can live on ● *Living on a houseboat is nice for people who like travelling up and down the river.* ❖ casa galleggiante

* 1. **move** (v) /muːv/

to change the place (country, city, house, etc.) where you live ● *My best friend is moving*

*to Canada, but we’ll keep in touch on social media.* ❖ trasferirsi

* 1. **dry land** (n) /ˌdraɪ ˈlænd/

land, not sea or water ● *I enjoyed the sailing holiday, but it was great to get back to dry land.*

* terraferma
  1. **according to** (phr) /əˈkɔːˌdɪŋ tuː/

from what sb said ● *According to our history teacher, Columbus wasn’t the first explorer to travel to the Americas.* ❖ secondo

* 1. **possession** (n) /pəˈzeʃn/

sth that you own ● *We rented a van to carry all our possessions to our new home.* ➣ possess (v), possessive (adj) ❖ proprietà, possedimento

**Housing**

accommodation apartment block architecture balcony

ceiling cottage

countryside dry land flatmate floor heating houseboat

rent repair resident roof

Speaking **Page 59**

* 1. **expand** (v) /ɪkˈspænd/

to say more about sth and add details ● *What you say is interesting, but can you expand and give more details about what happened?*

* espandere
  1. **signal** (n) /ˈsɪɡnəl/

electrical or radio waves sent to a TV, radio, mobile phone, etc. ● *I couldn't call you because I had a weak signal in the mountains.*

➣ signal (v) ❖ segnale

* 1. **nearby** (adj) /nɪəˈbaɪ/

not far away ● *We often play football in the nearby park, which is only five minutes’ walk from our house.* ❖ vicino

Vocabulary **Page 60**

* 1. **blanket** (n) /ˈblæŋkɪt/

a large thick cover put onto a bed to keep you warm ● *I needed an extra blanket on my bed because it was a cold night.* ❖ coperta

* 1. **chest of drawers** (n) /ˌtʃest əv ˈdrɔːz/

a piece of furniture with drawers for storing clothes in ● *I keep my T-shirts in the chest of drawers next to the wardrobe.* ❖ cassettiera, comò

* 1. **cushion** (n) /ˈkʊʃn/

a soft bag filled with soft material and used on a chair or sofa ● *There are five soft colourful cushions on the sofa.* ❖ cuscino

* 1. **duvet** (n) /ˈduːveɪ/

a bed cover made from a large cloth bag filled with light soft material ● *It was a cold night, but he felt warm in bed under the duvet.*

* trapunta
  1. **pillow** (n) /ˈpɪləʊ/

a cloth bag filled with sth soft that you use to rest your head on in bed ● *Jake lay down resting his head on the pillow and went to sleep.* ❖ federa

* 1. **sheet** (n) /ʃiːt/

a large thin cloth that you lie on or under in bed

* + - *They put clean sheets on the beds every day in our hotel.* ❖ lenzuolo
  1. **wardrobe** (n) /ˈwɔːdrəʊb/

a cupboard to hang clothes in ● *Millie tidied her bedroom quickly by putting all her clothes into the wardrobe.* ❖ armadio, guardaroba

* 1. **wrap** (v) /ræp/

to put sth around sth to cover it ● *The baby was wrapped in a warm wool blanket.*

* avvolgere ✎ Opp: unwrap
  1. **rest** (n) /rest/

a period when you are not doing anything tiring and you can relax ● *You’ve been working hard all day, so it’s time for a rest.* ➣ rest (v), restful (adj), restless (adj) ❖ riposo

* 1. **make a mess** (expr) /meɪk ə mes/

to make a place untidy● *The twins got all the toys out of the cupboard and made a mess all over their room.* ❖ fare disastri, fare casino

* 1. **make your bed** (phr) /meɪk ˈjɔːr bed/ to tidy the covers on your bed ● *School*

*children should learn to make their beds after they get up.* ❖ fare il letto

* 1. **move house** (phr) /muːv haʊs/

to change the house where you live ● *We’re moving house this weekend. Our new home is on the other side of town.* ❖ traslocare

* 1. **do the housework** (phr) /du ðə ˈhaʊswɜːk/ to do work in a home, such as cleaning, cooking, ironing ● *In my family, we all do the housework. Mum makes the beds and tidies up, Dad washes the dishes and does the ironing, and I take out the rubbish.* ❖ fare i lavori di casa
  2. **take a seat** (phr) /teɪk ə siːt/

to sit down ● *Please take a seat in the waiting room. The doctor will call you in a moment.*

* accomodarsi
  1. **take a break** (phr) /teɪk ə breɪk/

to stop working for a short time ● *He’s been working for four hours on the computer, so he should take a break and have a snack.*

* fare una pausa
  1. **oven** (n) /ˈʌvən/

the part of the cooker where you can bake or roast food ● *Can you turn the oven on to 180°C, please?* ❖ forno

* 1. **a bit** (phr) /ə bɪt/

a short time ● *I’m too busy to talk now. I’ll call you back in a bit.* ❖ un poco

Grammar **Page 61**

* 1. **intend** (v) /ɪnˈtend/

to have in your mind a plan or purpose

* + - *I intend to do my homework as soon as I get home this afternoon.* ➣ intention (n), intentional (adj), intentionally (adv)
* avere l'intenzione di
  1. **ideal** (adj) /aɪˈdiːəl/

perfect for a certain purpose ● *The apartment block was in an ideal place close to the park.*

➣ ideally (adj) ❖ ideale

* 1. **builder** (n) /ˈbɪldə(r)/

a person who builds or repairs houses or other buildings ● *We asked a builder to build a new garage for us.* ➣ build (v), building (n)

* costruttore
  1. **sink** (n) /sɪŋk/

a large open container in a kitchen that you fill with water in order to wash the dishes ● *Take the dishes to the kitchen sink. I want to wash them.* ❖ lavandino

**Household objects**

blanket bucket

chest of drawers cushion dishwasher

duvet iron kettle ladder pillow

sheet sink wardrobe

washing machine

Writing **Pages 62–63**

* 1. **respond** (v) /rɪˈspɒnd/

to answer sb; to reply to sb ● *My friend sent me an email, but I haven’t responded to her yet.* ➣ response (n) ❖ rispondere

* 1. **react** (v) /riˈækt/

to change or behave in a particular way in response to sth ● *‘I suggested that we should stay at home this summer.’ ‘And how did your family react to your suggestion?’* ➣ reaction (n)

* reagire
  1. **apologise** (v) /əˈpɒlədʒaɪz/

to say you are sorry for doing sth wrong

* + - *I apologise for shouting at you yesterday. I was wrong and I shouldn’t have done it.*

➣ apology (n), apologetic (adj) ❖ chiedere scusa

* 1. **explanation** (n) /ˌekspləˈneɪʃn/

the reason given for why sth happened or why sth was done ● *He gave us a good explanation for what had happened and how it had happened*. ➣ explain (v) ❖ spiegazione

* 1. **enthusiasm** (n) /ɪnˈθjuːziæzəm/

a strong feeling of excitement and interest in sth ● *There is a lot of enthusiasm for the project and hundreds of people want to take part.* ➣ enthusiastic (adj), enthusiastically (adv) ❖ entusiasmo

* 1. **decline** (v) /dɪˈklaɪn/

to refuse politely ● *They asked me to join them, but I declined politely because I was tired.* ❖ rifiutare

* 1. **request** (n) /rɪˈkwest/

a formal or polite demand for sth ● *The residents made a request for better street lights in their area.* ➣ request (v) ❖ richiesta

* 1. **by the way** (phr) /baɪ ðə ˈweɪ/

used to give extra information or introduce a different topic ● *I saw Anna today. By the way, did you know that she has a new job?*

* comunque
  1. **housewarming party** (n) /ˈhaʊswɔːmɪŋ ˈpɑːti/ a party to celebrate moving into a new home
     + *When they moved into their new house, they invited all their friends and family to a housewarming party.* ❖ festa di inaugurazione
  2. **DJ** (abbrev) /ˈdiː dʒeɪ/

short form of ‘disc jockey’; sb who plays recorded music in a public place ● *We asked the DJ to play our favourite pop song.*

* dj
  1. **youth club** (n) /juːθ klʌb/

a club where young people can meet each other and take part in activities ● *There’s a youth club in our town, but I prefer to meet my friends in other places.* ❖ centro giovanile

* 1. **if I were you** (phr) /ɪf aɪ wə(r) ju/

used to give sb advice ● *If I were you, I’d tell your parents the truth.* ❖ se fossi in te

* 1. **make it** (phr) /meɪk ɪt/

to succeed in going somewhere in time

* + - *There’s a concert in the park this weekend, but I’ve got an exam on Monday, so I don’t think I’ll make it.* ❖ farcela, avere successo in qualcosa
  1. **decorate** (v) /ˈdekəreɪt/

to put paint or wallpaper on the walls and ceilings of a room or house ● *I’ve bought some white paint so that I can decorate my bedroom.*

➣ decorator (n), decoration (n) ❖ decorare

* 1. **paintbrush** (n) /ˈpeɪntbrʌʃ/

a small tool with hairs at the end used for putting paint onto paper, wood, etc. ● *Don’t forget to clean your paintbrushes when you’ve finished painting.* ❖ pennello

**Expressions**

a bit

by the way do the housework

if I were you make a mess make it

make your bed

move house take a break take a seat

Live well, study well

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* 1. **deal with** (phr v) /diːl wɪð/

to take action to solve a problem, do a job, etc.

* + - *You can’t ignore the problem; you have to deal with it.* ❖ affrontare
  1. **positive** (adj) /ˈpɒzətɪv/

good or having a good effect ● *Our teacher usually writes something positive on our homework to say what we did well.*

* positivo ✎ Opp: negative
  1. **brilliant** (adj) /ˈbrɪliənt/

very good or clever ● *I can’t draw very well, but my sister is brilliant at art.* ❖ eccezionale

* 1. **refund** (n) /ˈriːfʌnd/

money back for sth you have bought ● *The cushion covers didn’t fit, so I took them back and got a refund.* ➣ refund (v) ❖ rimborso

* 1. **stain** (n) /steɪn/

with a dirty mark that won’t come off easily

* + - *He spilt coffee and it left a stain on the sofa.*

➣ stain (v) ❖ macchia

* 1. **relationship** (n) /rɪˈleɪʃnʃɪp/

the connection between two or more people

* + - *Stefanos has a good relationship with his flatmates.* ➣ relate (v), relative, relation (n)
* relazione
  1. **calmly** (adv) /ˈkɑːmli/

in a quiet way, without seeming excited or worried ● *Brad calmly explained how to use the computer program.* ➣ calm (adj, v), calmness (n) ❖ con calma

* 1. **carry on** (phr v) /ˈkæri ɒn/

continue ● *Don’t turn off the TV as this programme carries on after the news and I want to watch it.* ❖ continuare

* 1. **demand** (v) /dɪˈmɑːnd/

to ask for sth in a firm way that shows you are serious ● *Thelma demanded to see the manager when the shop assistant refused to give her a refund.* ❖ esigere

* 1. **negative** (adj) /ˈneɡətɪv/

bad or having a bad effect ● *Olga had a negative feeling that her classmates didn’t like her.* ❖ negativo ✎ Opp: positive

* 1. **positively** (adv) /ˈpɒzətɪvli/

in a positive way; in a way that has a good effect ● *Don’t worry about your exams – just think positively and do your best.*

* positivamente ✎ Opp: negatively