

Describe your flat

Module 2: The empty flat

5 Exercises • Duration: 15 min.

The empty flat

Spanish

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Origin, nationality, language and profession

Use **ser de** for origin: **Soy de Hamburgo, Elvira es de España.** A city has no article here. The question is **¿De dónde eres?** or polite **¿De dónde es usted?**

Introducing things and locating known things

Hay means there is or there are. It **does not change for the number of things**: **Hay una cama, Hay dos camas.** Introduce something with **un, una**, a number or a plural noun.

Describing nouns and agreeing with them

A colour or description commonly follows the noun: **un sofá amarillo, una lámpara roja.** The colour agrees with **the noun**, not the owner. **Grande** and **pequeño** describe size.

Locating objects and identifying owners

En la cocina, en el baño and **en mi piso** locate things. Articles do not acquire special noun endings after **en**. A known object uses **estar**: **La mesa está en la cocina.**

Basic plurals and plural agreement

After a vowel, normally add **-s**: **silla, sillas**. After most consonants, add **-es**: **luz, luces, sillón, sillones**. Notice **z changes to c before -es** in **luces**. The written accent in **sillón** is not needed in **sillones**.

GRAMMAR

G1) MIX THE MODULE'S GRAMMAR

Choose the right word for the gap.

1 En mi piso _____ una cama.

- ☐ A son
- ☐ B hay
- ☐ C está

Meaning: There is a bed in my flat.

2 Mi cama _____ abajo.

- ☐ A hay
- ☐ B son
- ☐ C está

Meaning: My bed is downstairs.

3 Las mesas son _____.

- ☐ A blanca
- ☐ B blancas
- ☐ C blanco

Meaning: The tables are white.

4 Soy _____ Hamburgo.

- ☐ A en
- ☐ B de
- ☐ C a

Meaning: I am from Hamburg.

5 Tus libros _____ aquí.

- ☐ A están
- ☐ B está
- ☐ C es

Meaning: Your books are here.

G2) USE IT IN A NEW CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

unas una verdes

Hay _____ sillas. Las sillas son _____.

Meaning: There are some chairs. The chairs are green.

del de la

El gato está debajo _____ sillón.

Meaning: The cat is under the armchair.

Mis Mi

_____ llaves están en la cocina.

Meaning: My keys are in the kitchen.

G3) MAKE CLEAR SHORT MESSAGES

Put the words in order.

- 1 quién lámpara? la ¿De es

Meaning: Whose lamp is it?

- 2 de poco español. Hablamos un

Meaning: We speak a little Spanish.

- 3 No baño. en hay el mesas

Meaning: There are no tables in the bathroom.

G4) USE THE RIGHT MESSAGE

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Your neighbour asks whether your flat has a table. There is none yet. You say:

- ☐ A La mesa está en la cocina.
- ☐ B Todavía no tengo mesa.
- ☐ C La mesa es blanca.

G5) MAKE THE MESSAGE ABOUT YOURSELF

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

nuevo contento

Lukas: Estoy _____.

Meaning: I am happy.

nueva contenta

Lena: Estoy _____.

Meaning: I am happy.

contento nuevo

Lukas: Soy _____ aquí.

Meaning: I am new here.

contenta nueva

Lena: Soy _____ aquí.

Meaning: I am new here.