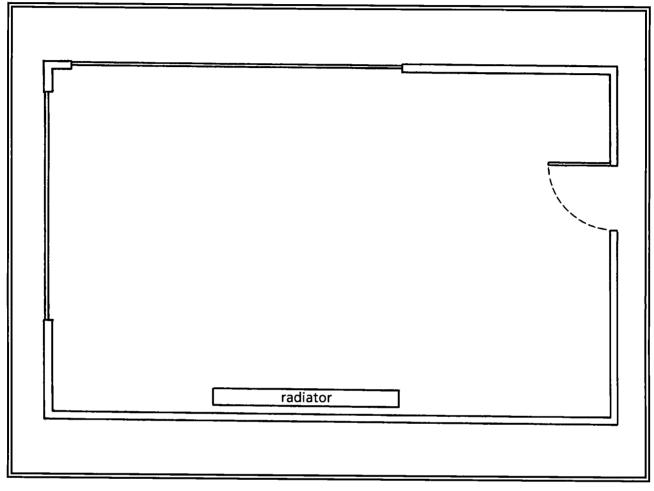
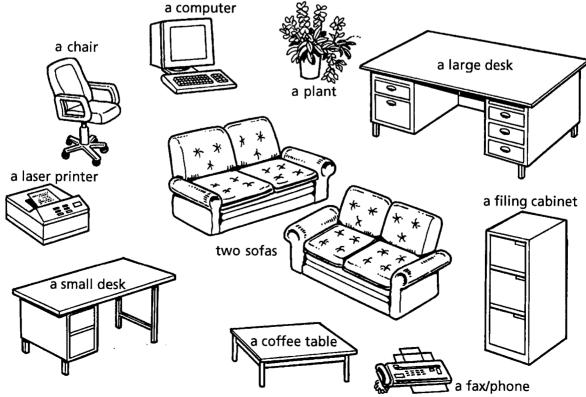


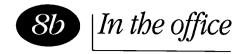
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Student A



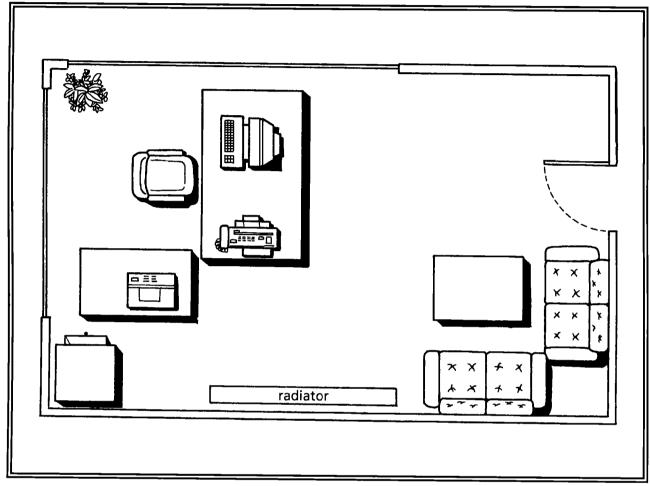


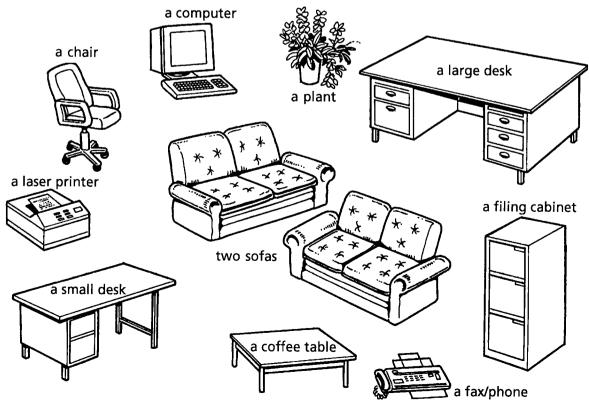




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Student B







In the office Worksheets 8a and

8a and 8b

Note: Both worksheets are necessary for this activity.

ACTIVITY

Pairwork: speaking

AIM

To describe the location of furniture in an office.

GRAMMAR AND FUNCTIONS

Location

VOCABULARY

computer, laser printer, desk, chair, fax/phone, sofa, coffee table, plant, filing cabinet

PREPARATION

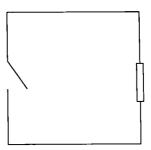
Copy one set of worksheets for each pair of students.

TIME

20 to 30 minutes

PROCEDURE

1 Draw the following diagram on the board:



- 2 Ask what it is (the plan of an office).
- **3** Ask what furniture and equipment they need to put in the office. Each time they make a suggestion, *a desk* or *a computer*, ask where they want you to put the item and draw it onto the plan according to their instructions. Correct and drill vocabulary where necessary.
- **4** When the diagram is complete, use it to cue a drill: *The desk's in the corner*.
- 5 Divide the class into pairs.
- 6 In each pair, give one student a copy of Worksheet 8a.
- 7 Explain that they have a plan of an office and that they must work with their partner and draw the items of furniture and office equipment in the correct places.
- **8** Give the other student a copy of Worksheet 8b.
- **9** Explain the task. The student with Worksheet 8b must describe the office so that his or her partner can complete the diagram.
- 11 Write the following rules on the board:

RULES

- 1 Do not show your plan to your partner.
- 2 You can speak only English.
- 12 Start the activity.

FOLLOW-UP

Ask the students to make plans of real offices – their own or others they know well – and describe them to each other.