EVERYDAY LIFE

THE APARTMENT

Age: Teenager/Adult Level: Pre-intermediate (A2) Time: 30 minutes Activity: In this lesson, students will: 1. label a plan of an apartment; 2. match descriptions with places on the plan;

3. give a tour of their home.

Language focus: rooms, furniture, there is/there are Materials: make a list of different kinds of furniture that you find in each room of the house; one copy of the worksheet per student; blank paper for students to draw their own floorplans

PROCEDURE

Ask students if they live in a house or an apartment (a flat), and if the majority of people in their country live in houses or apartments.

Tell students to work in pairs and make a list of rooms in an apartment, and two things they normally find in each room.

Write the following on the board: bathroom, kitchen, bedroom, living room, bed, table, armchair, couch (sofa), cupboard, wardrobe, window, door, bathtub (bath), shower, sink. Students compare the lists they made with the words here. Are there any words they don't know?

Hand out the worksheet. Ask students to use the words to label the plan.

Tell students that Paul, who lives in the apartment, will take them on a tour. Students follow the numbers 1–7 and write the number next to the text of what he says in each place. What city are they in?

Students draw a plan of their house or apartment. They should draw the furniture and label it. While they are doing this, write useful expressions on the board. For example:

This is ... This is where ... Here you have ... I've got one, two, three ... There's a / another here.

Students work in pairs and in turn give a tour of their home using the plan and the expressions to help them.

Key:

1. Now look, we're going to go to the kitchen first ...

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- 2. So this is the living room.
- 3. And here you have the Empire State Building ...
- 4. And so this is our bedroom ...
- 5. Then come around here and we've got a bathroom.
- 6. There's another bathroom here ...
- 7. Now here we come to the famous Eugenie's bedroom.
- 8. This is where Felix hangs out ...

City: New York



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