4 DOCUMENTARY Fairytale house

Aims: To practise vocabulary for houses and furniture.
Time: 80 minutes
Materials: One copy of the worksheet for each student.
Procedure:

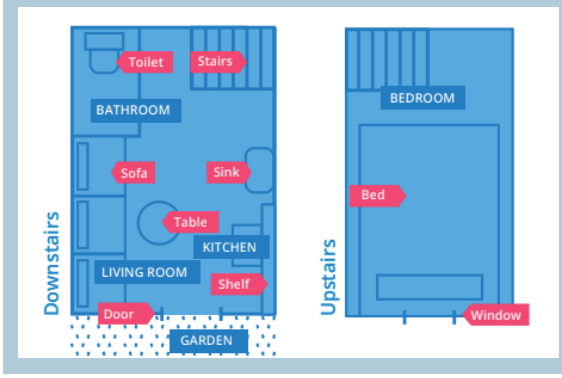
1 Put students into small groups and ask them to look at the photo of the Jack Sparrow house. Ask them if they would like to live in it, giving reasons why / why not. Ask them to discuss in small groups and then share their ideas with the rest of the class. Write on the board any vocabulary that might be useful for describing houses. Include the words *massive* (adj), *secluded* (adj) and *bits and bobs* (n) and explain what they mean.

2 Tell students they are going to watch a video about the house in the photo. As students are watching, ask them to tick any adjectives that are used to describe the houses or rooms in the house. Before you begin, check students know the meaning of all the adjectives and then play the video. Once they have finished, ask students to compare their answers with a partner before checking as a class.

KEY
small, relaxing, little, beautiful, natural, peaceful, open, favourite, lovely

3 Explain to students that they're going to watch the video again. This time they must complete the floor plan of the house using the words in the word pool. Ask them to watch the video and pause in sections to give them enough time to write their answers. Tell them to compare their floor plan with their partner before playing the video for a second time. Draw the floor plan on the board and ask volunteers to come up and complete the correct answers.

KEY



4 Play the video again from 00:21 to 00:31. Ask students to try and write down what Bee and Theo say. Allow them to replace any words they don't understand with BEEP. Ask them if the sentence still makes sense. After playing the section several times, ask students to compare what they have written with the person next to them. Then feed back as a whole class. Did the on-screen title help them? Explain that you don't always need to understand every word to understand the meaning.

KEY
Bee: 'Hi my name's Bee, and today I'm gonna show you 'round the beautiful Jack Sparrow House in Cornwall. Let's have a look around.'
Theo: 'This is Bee's favourite small house.'

5 Tell students to draw a floor plan of their own house or flat. Encourage them to label all the rooms of the house and any pieces of furniture they want to add.

6 Next, put students into pairs and ask them to describe their floor plan to their partner. Their partner should listen carefully and draw a floor plan from the description. They change roles. Afterwards, ask them to compare their drawings with their partners' to check they heard the information correctly.

7 Draw students' attention to the advert for the Jack Sparrow House. Read through it together and help with any difficult vocabulary. Ask them to write a list of things they think the house needs but does not have, and what they think are the best and worst things about the house.

8 Next, using the model to help them, tell students to write an advert for their house or flat. They must think of a name for the house, include the location and a description of the rooms. Encourage them to use lots of positive adjectives. Finally, put the adverts on the wall and ask students to walk around the classroom and decide which house they would like to live in.

EXTRA ACTIVITY My house

Time: 1–2 lessons
Tell students that they are going to make a short video of their own house. They should use the video of the fairytale house as inspiration.
In class, ask them to plan which rooms of the house they want to feature, and get them to check any vocabulary they might need. Explain that the video only needs to be one or two minutes long. Then, for homework, ask students to film and narrate their video using their mobile phones. They may include some footage of them speaking to the camera directly or include their family members or housemates. They should also mention some names of pieces of furniture. Afterwards, host a premier to show the videos in class.

Video script

Theo Hi everybody. I'm Theo, and this is Bee. We make videos about things we like. And we love small houses so today we're filming one.
Bee Hi, my name's Bee, and today I'm gonna show you 'round the beautiful Jack Sparrow House in Cornwall. Let's have a look around.
T This is Bee's favourite small house. So, come inside with us and you'll see why!
B Welcome to the inside of Jack Sparrow House.
T Through this strange door, there is a kitchen on the right. It isn't very big, but there is space for everything.
B It's really open, and lovely, and it just looks really natural.
T There are loads of shelves on the wall for food and other kitchen stuff.
B There's a sink here which is for the bathroom and the kitchen.
T And above the sink, there are some more shelves, with all these little bits and bobs.
B Opposite the kitchen is a really massive sofa to relax on.
T I don't think it's massive, but it's big enough for two. There's also a table to eat meals or to work on your laptop.
B Behind the sofa area there's actually a little secluded bathroom.
T And the last room is upstairs.
B By far my favourite part of the house has got to be the bedroom. It's just so peaceful and relaxing up here. There's a big window behind me that lets you look out onto the sea and brings in a beautiful breeze.
T Bee loved the bedroom, but my favourite part is definitely the garden. Just look at it, it's amazing. There are all kinds of plants and trees, and that's the sea over there! And that's it for today's tour guys, I hope you liked the little house. We thought it was great!

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