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Rent

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THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT

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I hate paying rent. It's such a waste of money. And it's a lot of money. When I pay rent. I always feel like I'm throwing money away. My rent usually takes over half of my salary. Of course, landlords are very happy. They sit back and let the money come in. The rent they receive pays for their housing loan on their house. The thing that annoys me most is that the rent I pay is more than what I would pay if I had a housing loan. Sometimes I've paid rent for a really bad place. When something broke, the landlord didn't fix it. When I said I wouldn't pay the rent, he told me he'd throw me out. The worst thing about rent is rent increases. These are usually very unfair. That's just the landlord being greedy.

LISTENING GAP FILL

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CORRECT THE SPELLING

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UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

STUDENT RENT SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about rent in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



WRITING

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Write about rent for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.



HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about rent. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about rent. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. RENT POSTER Make a poster about rent. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY RENT LESSON: Make your own English lesson on rent. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, Del-icio-us / StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on rent. Share your findings with the class.

