

TUTORING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Tutorat par les pairs en anglais langue seconde



Booking a Hostel

Speaking Lesson



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STEP 1: Assessment

- A hostel is a place where you can find inexpensive accommodation when you are travelling. Have you ever booked accommodation at a hostel?

STEP 2: Theory

1. What items or services would you like provided for you at a hostel?

a. bed linen (sheets, pillow cases and a blanket)

b. air conditioning

c. safe- deposit box

d. towels

e. laundry facilities

f. hair dryer

g. shared kitchen

h. luggage storage

i. private ensuite (own bathroom)

2. What do you think is the usual check- in time at a hostel?

3. What do you think is the usual check- out time at a hostel?

4. Do you think some hostels have curfews? Did you ever have a curfew when you were younger?

5. From the list below, what is the most important quality of a hostel for you?

a. perfect location

c. superb staff

e. fantastic cleanliness

b. great value for money

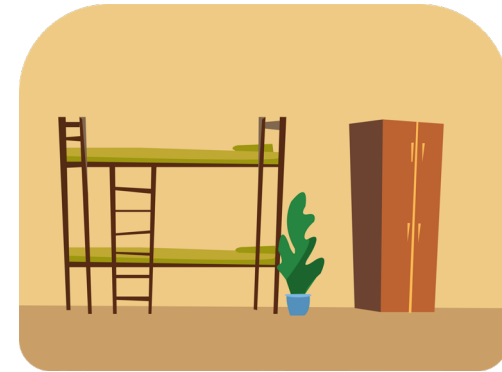
d. 24-hour security

f. party atmosphere



6. What type of accommodation would you prefer?

- a. Basic 8 Bed Mixed Dorm \$
- b. Standard 4 Bed Male Dorm or Female Dorm \$\$
- c. Twin Room, Private Shared Bathroom \$\$\$
- d. Deluxe Double Bed, Private Ensuite \$\$\$



STEP 3: Controlled and Communicative Exercises

1. You and your tutor are going to book a hostel together for three nights on the hostels worldwide site.
 - Discuss which city you would both like to visit and why.
 - Discuss when you would like to go for three nights.
 - Go to [hostelworld.com](https://www.hostelworld.com) and fill-in the following information to find a hostel in that city. Then, press search.

City	Arrival	Departure	Guests	
<input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="Search by city"/>	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="Date"/>	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="Date"/>	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="2 Guests"/>	<input style="background-color: #e67e22; color: #fff; padding: 5px 15px;" type="button" value="Search"/>

2. Click on the cheapest place to stay and in your own words describe the following information to your tutor.
 - the property description
 - the pictures (What does the building look like? How about the rooms?)
 - the price of the cheapest room
 - the facilities provided
 - the reviews (choose two good ones and two bad ones)
 - the house rules (what are the check- in and check- out times? Is there a curfew?)

STEP 4: Production Task

1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of staying at this hostel?
2. If you were travelling in this city, would you stay at this hostel? Why or why not?
3. Is there another hostel on the site that looks better? Why?

STEP 5: Final Review

- What new vocabulary did you learn?

Important

- Write down the words you learned today and study them.

Tutor Note

- Ask, "how do you say" questions with the new vocabulary the tutee doesn't mention.