
Quiz topic: House and home

1. After a meal, when you volunteer to clean the dirty dishes, what should you say?
 - a) I'll do the washing up
 - b) I'll wash up
 - c) I'll do the dishes
 - d) All of the above answers

2. We are about to have dinner:
"Can you get the cutlery and _____ the table, please?"
 - a) make
 - b) set
 - c) do
 - d) have

3. It took me a while to settle _____ to my new home, but now I love it!
 - a) down
 - b) up
 - c) in
 - d) for

4. "Please come in, take a seat and make yourself at _____ "
 - a) house
 - b) home
 - c) flat
 - d) apartment

5. Which is the odd one out?
 - a) mow the lawn
 - b) water the plants
 - c) rake up the leaves
 - d) clean the windows

6. Which of the following words completes this sentence? 'Our house is _____; we don't share the building with anyone else.'
 - a) terraced
 - b) detached
 - c) semi-detached
 - d) flat

ANSWERS

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1. After a meal, when you volunteer to clean the dishes, what should you say?

- a) I'll do the washing up
- b) I'll wash up
- c) I'll do the dishes
- d) **All of the above answers are ok**

- a) This is fine, but is it the only possible answer?
- b) This is fine, but is it the only possible answer?
- c) This is fine, but is it the only possible answer?
- d) **Correct! All of the expressions can be used for cleaning dishes.**

2. We are about to have dinner:

"Can you get the cutlery and _____ the table, please?"

- a) make
- b) **set**
- c) do
- d) have

- a) 'Make the table' means 'construct' or 'build', not place cutlery or dishes on it. Try again...
- b) **Correct! You can also use the verb 'lay'.**
- c) This is not a natural collocation. Try again...
- d) This is not a natural collocation. Try again...

3. It took me a while to settle _____ to my new home, but now I love it!

- a) down
- b) up
- c) **in**
- d) for

- a) 'Settle down' usually means to be in a long-term relationship and start a family.
- b) 'Settle up' means to pay money you owe.
- c) **Correct! 'Settle in' means to become comfortable and used to something.**
- d) 'Settle for' means to accept or agree to something that is not ideal or exactly what was wanted.

4. "Please come in, take a seat and make yourself at _____."

- a) house
- b) **home**
- c) flat
- d) apartment

- a) Good try, but this isn't a natural phrase. Try again...
- b) **Correct! This is a very natural phrase when welcoming guests to your home to make them feel comfortable.**
- c) Good try, but this isn't a natural phrase. Try again...
- d) Good try, but this isn't a natural phrase. Try again...

5. Which is the odd one out?

- a) mow the lawn
- b) water the plants
- c) rake up the leaves
- d) **clean the windows**

- a) Sorry, this isn't it. Which expression does not involve the garden?
- b) Sorry, this isn't it. Which expression does not involve the garden?
- c) Sorry, this isn't it. Which expression does not involve the garden?
- d) **Correct! All of the other expressions involve gardening.**

6. Which of the following words completes this sentence? 'Our house is _____; we don't share the building with anyone else.'

- a) terraced
- b) **detached**
- c) semi-detached
- d) flat

- a) Sorry, a terraced house is part of a long row of houses which has neighbours on both sides, sharing walls.
- b) **Correct! A detached house is a stand-alone building which means that no one else shares any part of the building.**
- c) Sorry, a semi-detached house means a building which is split into two and holds two separate houses.
- d) Sorry, a flat is often a single floor (or sometimes two floors) of a shared building, and flats are stacked on top of each other.

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