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Renting a Room / Apartment (1)

(1) Useful expressions

Looking for a place.

Roommates

Car rental

Hitting the road

Catch one's eye

Pay through the nose.

Hybrid / compact car

(2) Conversation

Finding a roommate

Jet: Hi, Bruce.

Bruce: Hey, Jet. What's up?

Jet: Do you know anyone who's looking for a place to live?

One of our roommates is moving out.

Bruce: As a matter of fact, I do.

My friend Michelle needs a place.

How much is the rent?

(Bruce asks questions about the room and roommates).

Bruce: I'll let her know and give her your number.

Jet: Thanks Bruce. Oh wait! Is there anything I should know about Michell?

Bruce: Like what?

Jake: Well, is she a heavy drinker? Our last roommate got drunk all the time and caused a lot of problems.

(Jet asks questions about the potential roommate Michelle)

Jet: That's all I need to know.

I'll talk it over with my roommates.

Thanks again Bruce. See you later.

Bruce: See you Jet.

Introductory Telephone Conversation:

A: Hello.

B: Hi, I'm calling about the apartment for rent.

Is it still available?

A: Yes, it's available. Would you like to see it?

B: Yes, but would you mind if I ask you a few questions over the phone first?

B: No, not at all. What do you need to know?

(4) Activity

Questions to Ask:

Where is it located?

How much is the rent?

How big is it?

How far is it from the school?

How close is it to public transportation?

Are pets allowed?

Are there any facilities in the building?

What is the neighborhood like?

Is there any private parking?