

Renting your first home – property test

Name _____

FIRST TIME RENTING

1. What does a lettings agency do? Put a X after the correct answer:

- a) Helps people to buy and sell property ()
- b) Helps people to rent property ()

2. Name two ways in which you can find a reputable lettings agent? Write your answer:

1. _____

2. _____

3. Who or what is a landlord? Write your answer:

4. How much rent/deposit are you usually expected to pay before moving into a property? Put a X after the correct answer:

- a) None ()
- b) One or two months in advance ()
- c) Three or four months in advance ()
- 4) Up to six months in advance ()

5. Lettings agencies will also request a fee for their services. True or False?
Put a X after the correct answer.

True ()

False ()

6. In the UK, it is a legal requirement that your deposit is held in a 'deposit scheme'. True or False? Put a X after the correct answer:

True ()

False ()

LIVING WITH OTHERS

7. List three character traits that you would look for when considering your housemate?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

8. How could you be a good housemate?

9. Many shared tenancies will include joint liability clauses.

What does this term mean? Write your answer:

PROPERTY VIEWINGS

Before signing any contract, you should arrange to have a viewing of the property.

While there, you should check the surrounding area for any potential 'red flags.'

10. Can you give ONE example of a potential 'red flag' that you may notice within the surrounding area? Write your answer:

While inside the property there are several things you should look out for.

11. What are THREE examples of things you should look out for?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

It is advisable to check the property thoroughly and to report any maintenance issues before or as soon as you move in. 12. Why is taking photos important? Put a X after the correct answer:

- A. So that you have memories of your first ever property ()
- B. to share pictures on social media ()
- C. To have photo evidence of any issues that you can send to the landlord or agency ()

Some properties come furnished while others are unfurnished.

While viewing the kitchen you may want to check that the 'white goods' are working properly.

13. What is an example of a white good? Write your answer:

Depending on the tenancy agreement, your new home may or may not include utility bills. However, regardless of this, you will always have living expenses.

14. Can you give an example of a utility or household bill?

15. Can you give an example of a living expense?

End of test