Total-IELTS.com Accommodation Vocabulary

Comfortable /'kʌmf(ə)təbl/ (Adj) - Feeling safe and happy.

Example: Our new apartment is very comfortable. We feel content there.

Extension /iks ten fan/ (N) - A new room or part added to a property.

Example: We plan to build an extension to the kitchen because we don't have enough space to eat.

Crowded / kraudid/ (Adj) - A place that has a lot of people in it.

Example: Our house is very crowded because I have 5 sisters and 3 brothers, and we all live together.

Living/sitting room /'livin ru:m/ /'sitin ru:m/ (N) - The room in a place where people relax and usually watch TV.

Example: We bought a new sofa for our sitting room. It's ideal for relaxing.

Storage /'sto:ridʒ/ (N) - A place where you put/store things that you don't use very often.

Example: We put all the luggage in storage under the stairs after we moved in.

New-build /nju:-bild/ (Adj) - A property that has been recently built.

Example: There have been a lot of new-built properties coming on the market recently.

Basement/cellar / beismont // sɛlə/ (N) - A room or rooms in a property that are below ground.

Example: We store our homemade pickled vegetables in the basement.

Homemade /'həum'meɪd/ (Adj) - Something made at home and not bought from a shop.

Example: My mother sold her homemade cakes every weekend at the market.

Attic/loft / 'ætɪk/ /loft/ (N) - The room at the top of the house, under the roof.

Example: It adds to the value of the property when the loft is converted into a bedroom.

First-time buyer /f3:st-taim 'baiə/ (N) - Someone who buys a property for the first time.

Example: First-time buyers are usually charged a higher interest rate on their mortgage.

Accommodation: Idioms

<u>Home and dry</u> - To successfully achieve a goal.

Example: After she got 7.5 in her IELTS test, she was home and dry to apply to her dream college.



<u>Hit the roof</u> - To suddenly become very angry.

Example: When he found out that his son had crashed his car, he hit the roof and grounded him for a month.



<u>If you can't stand the heat, get out of the</u>
<u>kitchen</u> - If you can't cope with the pressure
of a situation, you should remove yourself.

Example: The deadline is next week so if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen.



<u>Home truth</u> - When someone makes clear an unpleasant truth about something/someone.

Example: He claims to be a successful businessman, but the home truth is the company he owns is almost bankrupt.



Skeleton in the cupboard - To have an embarrassing secret.

Example: Her skeleton in the cupboard was that she spent time in prison for fraud.

