

Household appliances

appliance - noun BrE /ə'plaɪəns/ AmE /ə'plaɪəns/
a machine that is designed to do a particular thing in the home, such as preparing food, heating or cleaning

- *electrical/household appliances*
- *They sell a wide range of domestic appliances - washing machines, dishwashers and so on.*
- *modern heating appliances of all types*
- *Always switch off appliances that are not in use.*

(OXFORD LEARNER'S DICTIONARY)

Revise: rooms in a house/apartment

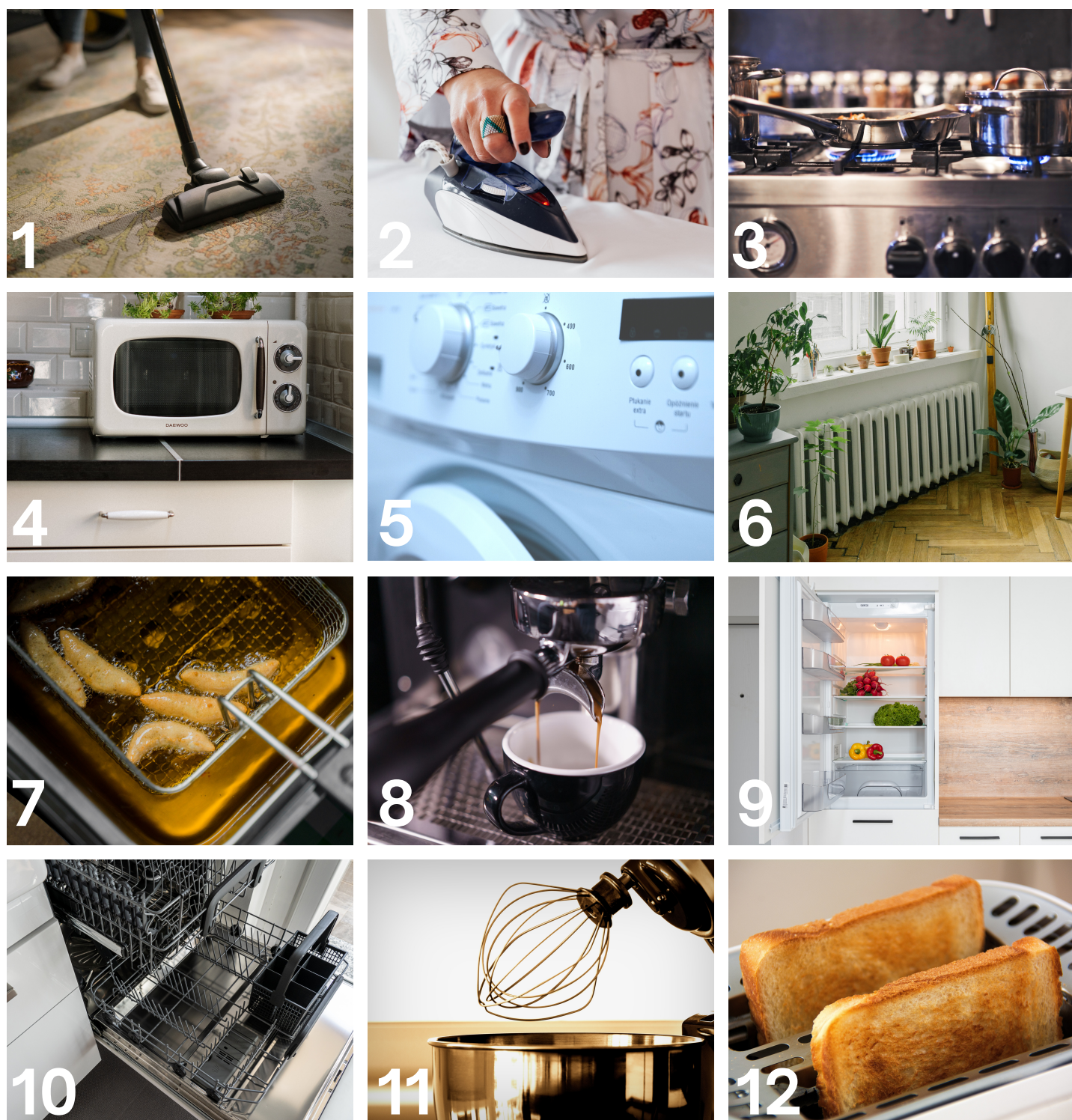
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Visit the website [menti.com](https://www.menti.com) and enter the code your teacher gives you. Brainstorm as many words as you can which belong to the group **HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES** and add them to the list.

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Find the words from this exercise in the pictures below.

microwave, iron, fridge, washing machine, heater, vacuum cleaner, mixer, dishwasher, toaster, coffee maker, deep fat fryer, cooker*



*cooker, oven, hob and other variations

An **oven** is an enclosed cavity for baking, a **hob** or **stovetop** or **cooktop** is an open, flat surface you cook on, and a **cooker** or **stove** or **range** is the standalone appliance with both.

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Match the words from the list with their definitions below.

freezer / kettle / fan / scales / food slicer / robotic vacuum

- device intended to store foods long-term by maintaining them at a temperature of $-18\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- kitchen utensil used for heating water
- an instrument for weighing people or things
- machine that blows warm or cold air
- vacuum cleaner with sensors, programmed to clean the floors without human control
- machine used for cutting food into thin slices

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Open the flashcards on Quizlet and play **MATCH** or **LEARN** (scan the QR code or type in the URL).

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Work in pairs. Try to describe the difference between a blender, a juicer, and a food processor. Then, open this webpage and check. Write down what they are used for.

<https://bit.ly/3vb83yv>

BLENDER: _____:

JUICER: _____

FOOD PROCESSOR: _____

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Work in pairs. Take turns to answer the questions below.

- Which appliances do you have at home?
- Which ones do you use a lot?
- Which do you never use?
- Which would you like to have (but don't)?

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Work in groups. Describe a household appliance. Say **where** people normally use it (in which room). Also say **how and when** you use it, as well as **what** you use it **for**. Others try to guess what it is.

e.g. This is a device that you usually use in the bathroom but some people put it in the basement or other rooms. You use it to wash your clothes. (washing machine)

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Household appliances can be very expensive to buy so it is sometimes a good idea to buy things second hand. Take a look at the advertisements on this page and write the words in bold next to their meaning below.

the nearest price you can offer: _____

like new: _____

not new: _____

pick up from the seller's house: _____

can bring to your house: _____

if there is a problem, it will be fixed for free: _____

Black microwave.

Bought 2021, 1 year

warranty. Wife does not

like the colour but

perfect condition.

Can deliver.

Dishwasher for sale.

Excellent condition but

too small for our family.

Call or text for more

information.

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Answer the questions:

- 1 What colour is the microwave?
- 2 How old is the microwave?
- 3 How much is the washing machine?
- 4 Does the washing machine work well?
- 5 Is the dishwasher big?
- 6 What colour is the fridge?
- 7 Can the seller deliver the fridge?

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Think of a household appliance you would like to sell online. Write an advert using the ideas below and your own ideas.

- Does it come with a warranty?
- How old is it?
- Can you deliver or is it collect only?
- What's the price?
- What colour is it?

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After that, work in pairs and prepare a role-play (a phone call) based on your advertisement and other advertisements on this page. Take turns to be the seller or the buyer.

Buyer: ask questions about the appliance and arrange collection or delivery.

Seller: answer the buyer's questions.

Silver fridge. Good condition. Call or text for more info.

Collection only.

Second hand washing machine - £80 **ono**. A year old and in perfect working condition.