

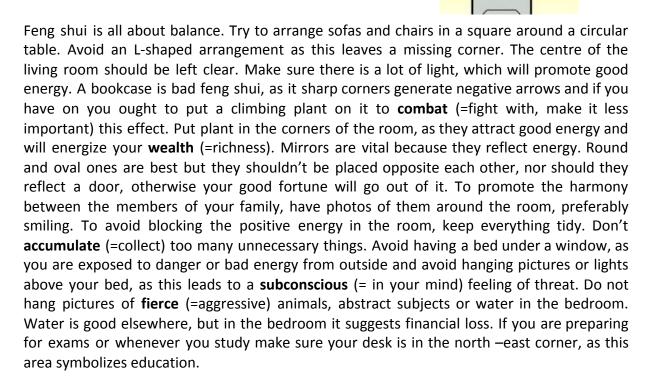
# EPISODE 96 LEVEL B2

## **READING COMPREHENSION**





EXERCISE 1





After reading a text, decide if the sentences are true or false:

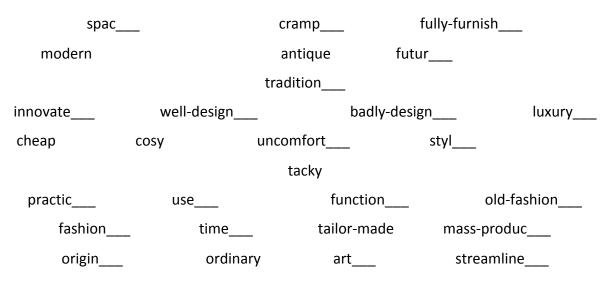


- 1. Water suggests financial prosperity.
- 2. Hanging pictures in the bedroom suggests good fortune.
- 3. Bookcases in the rooms should have sharp corners.
- 4. Feng shui brings balance to your life and makes it easier.

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#### EXERCISE 2

Have a look at some adjectives and complete them with suffixes: -ish, -al, -ive, -less, -ious, -istic, -ed, -able



Using the adjectives below try to describe 3 rooms and decide who might be living there.







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C.



#### **EXERCISE 3**

GO OVER THE TOP = DO STH IN AN EXAGGERATED WAY TRIED AND TESTED = IF STH IS TRIED AND TESTED , YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY USED IT IN THE PAST LOOK LIKE AS A BOMB HAS HIT IT = LOOK VERY UNTIDY

Fill in the sentences with the idioms above:

I rarely trust recommendation. I'd rather go for ...... recipes.
The important thing is to clear up the dirty things as you go along, otherwise the place looks ......

3. Wedding receptions in our country are always a big deal I think they are just.....



Many phrasal verbs have more than one meaning:





**LIVE OFF** = have enough money for the things you need by taking it from the supply of money or another person

**HAVE A LIE-IN** = stay in bed later in the morning than usual **MOVE IN TOGETHER** = start living in the same house as sb

#### **EXERCISE 4**

Fill in the sentences with the phrasal verbs:

1. On Saturdays I sometimes let myself stay longer in bed to .....

2. Sam and I have always been good friends so when we both got jobs, we decided to

3. While she was unemployed she had to .....her savings.

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#### FENG SHUI COLOURS

"Color is one of the easiest ways to **shift** the energy in your home or office and create good fengshui. Each color is an expression of one of the five feng shui elements: Fire, Earth, Metal, Water, and Wood. These elements are used in specific areas according to the feng shui energy map of your space. This feng shui colour guide will help you choose best colours to create a harmonious feng shui home. Choose the feng shui colours according to the energy you need and bring them into your space with wall colour, art, photography, or various decor items.

#### FIRE ELEMENT- PASSION AND HIGH ENERGY:

A balanced fire feng shui element in your home or office will bring supporting energy to all your career efforts and will help achieve recognition. Fire element also **nourishes** one's sexual energy and inner warmth.

#### EARTH ELEMENT – NOURISHMENT AND STABILITY



A strong and harmonious feng shui earth element in your home or office will help create stability, nourishment and calm protection for all your relationships. The earth element is also needed to maintain one's health and **inner balance**.

#### METAL ELEMENT – CLARITY AND PRECISION

Feng shui metal element brings the qualities of **sharpness**, precision and efficiency; its balanced presence will help you live with clarity and lightness. A good presence of metal element in your home or office will help sustain the energy of calm, crisp clarity and eliminate distractions.

#### WATER ELEMENT – EASE AND ABUNDANCE

A harmonious feng shui water element will bring a refreshing energy of calm, ease, purity and freshness. Water element is also the ancient symbol of **abundance**, thus a potent feng shui cure for wealth

#### WOOD ELEMENT – GROWTH AND VITALITY

Lush and healing, the feng shui wood element brings the energy of **vibrant** health, vitality and growth. Wood element is also an expression of abundance, thus it is used as a feng shui cure for wealth and prosperity."

#### **GLOSSARY:**

**Shift** = change

**Abundance** = the situation in which there is more than enough of something:

**Vibrant** = energetic, exciting, and full of enthusiasm

**Sharpness** = the quality of being clever

**To nourish** = to provide people with sth

Inner balance = Inner feelings or thoughts of balance that you do not show but feel inside



## **KEY TO EXERCISES**

#### Ex. 1

- 1. F
- 2. F
- 3. F
- 4. F

## Ex. 2

spacious		cramped	fully-furnished
modern	antiqu	ue futuristi	c traditional
innovative	well-designed	badly-designed	luxurious cheap
cosy	uncomfortable	stylish	tacky
practical	useful/less	functiona	l old-fashioned
fashionable	timeless	tailor-made	mass-produced
original	ordinary	artistic	streamlined

## Ex. 3

I rarely trust recommendation. I'd rather go for ......tried and tested...... recipes.
The important thing is to clear up the dirty things as you go along, otherwise the place looks ......like a bomb has hit it......

3. Wedding receptions in our country are always a big deal I think they are just......go over the top.....

## Ex. 4

- 1. On Saturdays I sometimes let myself stay longer in bed to ......have a lie-in.....
- 2. Sam and I have always been good friends so when we both got jobs, we decided to

## .....move in together.....

3. While she was unemployed she had to ......live off......her savings.

