Our House In The Middle of Our Street.

Activity One: Match the house styles on the right to the personality types on the left: For example, a seductive bachelor would have a very modern designer house.

- Outgoing
- Shy
- Intellectual
- Independent
- Sporty
- Creative
- Seductive

- Minimalist
- Cosy
- Modern
- Old fashioned
- Functional
- Bohemian
- Designer

Activity Two: Personal pronouns in English.

As you know nouns have no gender in English, which makes learning our language a lot easier! No agreements, no genders to learn. In fact the only time you have to worry about gender when you speak English is when using personal pronouns.

When we talk about what belongs to whom in English say his, her, their. It's very easy to decide which to use as the choice of personal pronoun depends on the gender of the person who owns the property (as nouns have no gender). This means that someone's Mother can be HIS mother or HER mother depending on whom you are talking about.



Let's practice.

Using possessive pronouns from the list fill the gaps in the sentences below.

My
Your
His

Her/hers
Its
Our

Your
Their

1. I saw a woman at IKEA last week who was there with five children. Two of……. children were crying constantly and the others were running around. It must have been really hard for her.

2. The director of the Lyon store is the youngest man ever to be in that position. ……. Name is Jerome Smith.

3. John is a security guard in an IKEA store and ……. wife works there too.

4. Stephanie has been working for IKEA for ten years and …… husband looks after the kids at home.

5. Arthur shops regularly at IKEA and he took ….. daughter their last week to show her how the system works there.

6. Fred thinks he is good at assembling flat pack furniture but …… daughter put up a shelf much faster than him.

7. Sophie always argues about DIY with …….. husband.

8. Samantha is really good at assembling IKEA furniture but …… brother always thinks he can do it better than her.

Activity Three: Personality. Our personality is usually reflected in the style of our house. Pick someone from the group and describe what you think their house is like.

Then that person will say what their house really is like and pick someoe else from the group. Remember to use the correct personal pronouns.

Activity Four: Comprehension Activity.

Listen to the song and fill the gaps.

Father wears his Sunday best
Mothers tired she needs a rest
The kids are …….. downstairs
Sisters sighing in her sleep
Brothers got a date to keep
He cant …….

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our ...

Our house it has a crowd
Theres always something …….
And its usually quite ……
Our mum shes so ……
…… ever slows her down
And a ……. is not allowed

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our ...

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our ...
…… tells you that you've got to get
…….. from it

Father gets up ……. for work
Mother has to …….. his shirt
Then she …… the kids to school
…….. with a small kiss
Shes the one they're ……. to miss
In lots of ways

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our ...

I remember way back then when …….. was true and when

We would have such a very good time such a fine time
Such a happy time
And I remember how we'd play simply ……
the day away
Then we'd say nothing would come between us two
……..

Father wears his Sunday best
Mothers tired she needs a rest
The kids are playing up downstairs
Sisters …… in her sleep
Brothers got a date to keep
He can't hang around

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our street

Our house, in the middle of our street
Our house, in the middle of our ...

Our house, was our …… and our …….
Our house, in the middle of our street

Our house, that was where we used to sleep
Our house, in the middle of our street

Our house, in the middle of our street

Activity Five: Design a room.

What style of house is described in this song?
With your partner design a room for each of the family members.

Father **Mother** **Brother** **Sister.**

You will need to choose items from the IKEA catalogue for each room and then using prepositions of place you must describe where each items should go.

So be careful about naming the furniture in English and remember:

PREPOSITIONS OF PLACE:

- In
- On
- Under
- On Top of
- Beside
- In front of
- Behind