

This month's Everyday English (pages 49–50) looks at the words and phrases you need when you're **PLANNING A KITCHEN**. Here, you can practise this practical area of language further.

1. The basics

medium

Match the numbers in the picture to the words below.

- a) wall unit
- b) hob
- c) worktop
- d) base unit
- e) sink
- f) drawer
- g) fridge



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2. I'm sick of this old kitchen!

advanced

Rearrange the letters to complete the following complaints about an old kitchen.

- a) The tap **PRIDS**. \_\_\_\_\_
- b) The dishwasher **EKLAS**. \_\_\_\_\_
- c) The cooker's on the **KLBIN**. \_\_\_\_\_
- d) The fridge is on its last **GLES**. \_\_\_\_\_
- e) A lot of the floor tiles are **OLSOE**. \_\_\_\_\_
- f) The grouting between the tiles is **MLODUY**. \_\_\_\_\_
- g) The cupboard doors are hanging off their **GHNIES**. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Brochurespeak

advanced

Match the adjectives from a kitchen brochure to their everyday equivalents.

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| a) bespoke kitchens     | <input type="text" value="a =&gt;"/> | 1. hard-wearing    |
| b) contemporary designs | <input type="text" value="b =&gt;"/> | 2. made-to-measure |
| c) durable worktops     | <input type="text" value="c =&gt;"/> | 3. modern          |
| d) glossy door fronts   | <input type="text" value="d =&gt;"/> | 4. plain           |
| e) minimalist-style     | <input type="text" value="e =&gt;"/> | 5. shiny           |

## 4. Online research

advanced

A couple are looking at a kitchen website. Which pages should they explore? Match their comments to the items on the menu below.

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|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| a) I guess we want a fitted kitchen, don't we?                                 | <input type="text" value="a ⇨"/> | 1. appliances             |
| b) What about those units on legs that you can move about?                     | <input type="text" value="b ⇨"/> | 2. built-in kitchens      |
| c) I quite fancy one of those work areas in the middle of the kitchen.         | <input type="text" value="c ⇨"/> | 3. flooring ideas         |
| d) Would tiles be too cold underfoot, do you think?                            | <input type="text" value="d ⇨"/> | 4. free-standing kitchens |
| e) Do we really need a draining board?   | <input type="text" value="e ⇨"/> | 5. kitchen islands        |
| f) I'd like some of those recessed spotlights.                                 | <input type="text" value="f ⇨"/> | 6. knobs and handles      |
| g) What about a built-in wine rack?  | <input type="text" value="g ⇨"/> | 7. lighting solutions     |
| h) Do we want a split-level oven?  | <input type="text" value="h ⇨"/> | 8. sinks and taps         |
| i) It seems a shame to stick something so functional on beautiful gloss doors. | <input type="text" value="i ⇨"/> | 9. storage solutions      |

## 5. We're just looking!

medium

The couple are in a showroom, talking to a kitchen planner. Use the words below to complete the phrases the couple use to show that they are just starting their search.

afford • basis • budget • contract • ideas • rough • stages

- a) We're only in the early \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment.
- b) We're just getting a few \_\_\_\_\_ together.
- c) We haven't worked out our \_\_\_\_\_ yet.
- d) We're not sure what we can \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) Could you give us a \_\_\_\_\_ idea of the cost?
- f) Is your planning service on a "no obligation" \_\_\_\_\_?
- g) We don't want to sign a \_\_\_\_\_ yet.

## 6. Tradesmen

advanced

If you have a new kitchen put in, you might need several different tradesmen. Fill in the missing letters to form their names.

- a) To paint the kitchen, you'll need a **p**\_\_\_\_er.
- b) Or you might use a specialized kitchen **f**\_\_\_\_er.
- c) To install the water pipes, you'll need a **p**\_\_\_\_er.
- d) To fit the electrical wiring, you'll need an **e**\_\_\_\_\_ian.
- e) To put the tiles on the floor or wall, you'll need a **t**\_\_\_\_r.
- f) To make any extras out of wood, you'll need a **j**\_\_\_\_r.