

**B** Listen again and answer the questions in your notebook.

### Listening Tip

Read the questions before you listen to the conversation.

- The computer turns on the lights when people leave the room. YES / NO
- The computer reminds you when to ... .
  - turn off the lights
  - water the garden
  - turn on the air conditioner
- The sun's energy is used to ... .
  - turn off the lights
  - heat the house
  - start the special computer
- Why does the smart house have a special tank?
  - to catch rainwater
  - to cool the house
  - to heat the water
- FILL IN THE CORRECT NUMBER.  
Dan has ... children.
- At the end of the program, Dan tells his listeners to ... .
  - save their money
  - build a smart home
  - see the Smart Home exhibit

**C** Would you like to visit the Smart Home exhibit? Explain. Translate the words below in your notebook. Use them to help you answer the question.

### WORD POWER

absolutely    fun    I don't mind    in particular    it depends

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## WRITING | A Description

**A** You are going to write a description of your ideal home. Lori lives in Canada, where it snows most of the year. Read her description of her ideal home and answer the questions below.

### MODEL

#### My Ideal Home

I want to live in Miami, Florida. I love this city because there is so much to do there. My ideal home is a big apartment on the top floor of a modern building. It has five comfortable bedrooms. Each room has a flat screen TV and a large bathroom. I also want a modern kitchen with a big oven. I need a big oven because I love to cook. The best thing about my apartment is the view. It is amazing! When I look out, I see the sandy beach and the blue sea. Life doesn't get much better than that!



- Where is Lori's ideal home?
- Why does she like this location?
- Why does Lori need a big oven?
- What does Lori like most about her ideal home?

**B** How would the ideal home of people from different countries and cultures be different? Why?

**C** Read the information below to help you write your description.

**WRITING HELP**

1. When we write a description, we often use **adjectives** to make our writing more interesting. Words such as *big* and *modern* are adjectives. When using adjectives, be careful about the word order. Remember, an adjective comes before the noun it describes or after the verb *to be*.

*a big apartment*      *a modern building*      *It is amazing!*

Translate the phrases into your language. Is the word order the same in your language? Explain.

2. When we write a description, we often use the **Present Simple** and the correct form of *to be*.

*I love this city.*      *It has five comfortable bedrooms.*      *It is amazing!*

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**D** Find at least three more adjectives and three more examples of the Present Simple in the Model on page 19.

**E** With a partner, ask and answer the following questions about your ideal home:

- Where is your ideal home?
- What do the rooms look like?
- What do you like about this location?
- What do you like about your home?

**F** Copy and complete the plan of your ideal home in your notebook. Include ideas you spoke about with your partner and more ideas of your own.

**PLAN**

I like this place because ...

Description of rooms

Kitchen   Living room   Bedrooms   My bedroom

More ideas

The best thing about my home is ...

**TASK** | Describe your ideal home.

Use the Model, Writing Help and Plan to help you.

You can create a web page for your ideal home. 🖥️

Follow these steps:

1. Write at least six sentences about your ideal home. Write 60-80 words.
2. Use new words and expressions from Part 2 of the unit.
3. Give your description a title.
4. Use adjectives.
5. Use the Present Simple correctly.
6. Use the checklist to edit your work.

**CHECKLIST**

- 1. I wrote at least six sentences (60-80 words) about my ideal home.
- 2. I used new words and expressions from Part 2.
- 3. I gave my description a title.
- 4. I used adjectives to make my description more interesting.
- 5. I used the Present Simple.