

The couple's house search

Introduction

- **Level:** B2
- **Skills:** Reading
- **Topics:** Vocabulary, Property and Housing

The enigma

- **Keywords**

The players will need to match a house search with a house description they will find in the room. Once they match them correctly, they will have a map on which they need to place the house. The name of the town in which the house is located will be a clue for the next enigma.

- **Toolbox**

A newspaper with the couple's ad
Several printed house descriptions
A map or Google Maps

- **Description of the enigma**

Players will find the different materials around the room. They will need to understand the couple's ad about their house search in the newspaper and read the different house descriptions to make the perfect match. All the houses will be located in the same area, so they will have to find the exact location of the perfect house for the couple who is buying it.



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THE AD:



We are a married couple with dog looking for a house for sale near a lake in a quiet neighborhood. It must be four-faced with a backyard or terrace and our budget is 420 000\$ maximum. Preferred with bay windows and wood-paneled walls. A swimming pool or jacuzzi in the backyard would be a plus.

HOUSE DESCRIPTIONS:

House 1:



Modern house with swimming pool in city center of Kaiserville.

Price: 620 000\$

Living area: 260m²



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Luxurious house with a modern design and bay windows. Ideally located near all facilities (public transportation, shops, restaurants, and bars). The house has three bedrooms and two bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen and a spectacular living room. The backyard includes a large swimming pool and terrasse in verdant surroundings. You will be a 5-minute walk from Woodburn Lake, an ideal fishing spot.

House 2:



Cozy house near tennis club in Pinckney

Price: 360 000\$

Living area: 130m²

Wood panel house in the city center of Pinckney. Ideal for sporty families enjoying tennis games. The backyard is facing the tennis field, allowing to watch all games in the front row. The house includes two bedrooms, one bathroom, an equipped kitchen, a cozy living room and an office. The large garage allows to park two cars and has enough room for a small workshop. You will be a ten-minute ride from Portage Lake.



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House 3:



Spacious house with garden and lake view in Township of Hamburg

Price: 420 000\$

Living area: 190m²

Wood panel house in verdant surroundings with a breathtaking view of Bass Lake. The house includes four bedrooms, three bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen, a large living room and a home theater. Ideal for families who enjoy long walks by the lake. The house is a ten-minute ride from all shops and restaurants.



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House 4:



Bright house on the lakefront in Hell

Price: 400 000\$

Living area: 160m²

Do not let the name of the city fool you, Hell is a charming place to live in, with its beautiful lakes and fun recreational areas. This wood panel house is on the lakefront of Hi-Land Lake, near the Wizzatoo Island that is one of the top spots to visit in the area! The house includes a large wooden terrace with a swimming pool. It has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen and a large living room with a glass door leading to the terrace.



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MAP TO PRINT:



Solution and following activity:

Once they have found that the house, they are looking for is House n°4, they will need to find an object related to the name of the town in which it is located, Hell. This means that you can hide an object or another reference to hell in the room (horns, fork, a reference to the Series called “The Good Place”, etc.). This object or reference will lead to the next enigma of your escape game.

Hints

If they struggle to find the correct house, encourage them to make a list of the couple's criteria

If they don't know what to do after they find the right house, tell them that an item in the room is related to the location of the house



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More information

Possible restrictions

Make sure that the font and format of the house descriptions and ad are appropriate for all learners, including those with Specific Learning Disorders.

References

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