

Around the House

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Noun/Verb
Agreement: Is/Are
Level 1

Goal: to practice noun/verb agreement with *is* and *are*

Players: 2 or more

Overview: Players try to visit rooms in a house by correctly using *is* and *are* in sentences.

Materials:

- **Around the House Game Items** sheet (page 88)
- **Around the House Game Cards** (page 89)
- **Around the House** game board (page 90)
- seven game chips of the same color for each player that, preferably, match the color of his game token
- game token for each player

Game Play:

- Cut apart the game cards, shuffle them, and place them facedown on the table.
- Each player begins the game with her game token beside the game board and, in turn, does the following:
 - ✓ The player takes a game card from the top of the pile and places her token in the room on the game board that is printed on the card.
 - ✓ The instructor reads an item from the **Game Items** sheet that matches the room the player occupies. For example, if the player is in Bedroom 1, the instructor reads an item from that section of the sheet. The instructor may present the item in any of the following ways:
 - Read the item as a cloze sentence (saying “blank” instead of *is/are*).
 - Read the item as a multiple choice (saying “is or are” in place of the blank).
 - Read the item with *is* or *are* in place and have the player determine if the word is used correctly.
 - ✓ If the player does not successfully complete the task, her turn is over.
 - ✓ If the player successfully completes the task, she places a game chip of her color in the room she occupies and her turn ends. More than one player can place a chip in a room in the course of a game, but a single player can't have more than one of her chips in the same room.
 - ✓ If a player lands in a room that already has one of her chips on it, she still tries to complete an item. If she is successful, her turn ends. If she is unsuccessful, she takes her chip off of that room and must try to earn it again later in the game.
 - ✓ The first player to place chips of her color on all or a predetermined number of rooms in the house is the winner. If the pile of game cards is depleted during a game, reshuffle them, put them in a facedown pile on the table, and continue drawing cards from the top of the pile.
 - **Note:** The *hall* only counts as a single room, even though it spans all three floors of the building.

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Closet

- The boxes (is / **are**) on the floor.
- That box (is / are) on the floor.
- The ladder (is / are) against the wall.
- The lights (is / **are**) turned on.
- My favorite toy (is / are) in the closet.
- The light bulb (is / are) missing.

Bathroom

- Someone (is / are) using the bathroom.
- The toothbrushes (is / **are**) on the sink.
- Towels (is / **are**) in the hall closet.
- A rug (is / are) on the floor.
- Band-Aids (is / **are**) in the medicine cabinet.
- The toilet (is / are) broken.

Kitchen

- Cold foods (is / **are**) in the refrigerator.
- The dishes (is / **are**) stacked in the sink.
- A glass (is / are) on the counter.
- Dinner (is / are) in the oven.
- The chairs (is / **are**) around the table.
- The table (is / are) set.

Hall

- The steps (is / **are**) very steep.
- This house (is / are) three floors high.
- Family pictures (is / **are**) on the walls.
- A rug (is / are) on the stairs.
- The chimney (is / are) made of brick.
- The coats (is / **are**) hanging in the hall.
- The first step (is / are) slippery.
- The downstairs doors (is / **are**) all open.
- The floors (is / **are**) all dirty.
- The house (is / are) made of wood.

Bedroom 2

- The lamp (is / are) by the bed.
- The extra blankets (is / **are**) under the bed.
- The door (is / are) closed.
- One person (is / are) sleeping in that room.
- The windows (is / **are**) all closed.
- Someone (is / are) sleeping now.

Bedroom 1

- The night stand (is / are) by the bed.
- One pillow (is / are) on the bed.
- Two people (is / **are**) sleeping in that room.
- The carpet (is / are) on the floor.
- The window (is / are) open.
- The door (is / are) closed.

Living Room

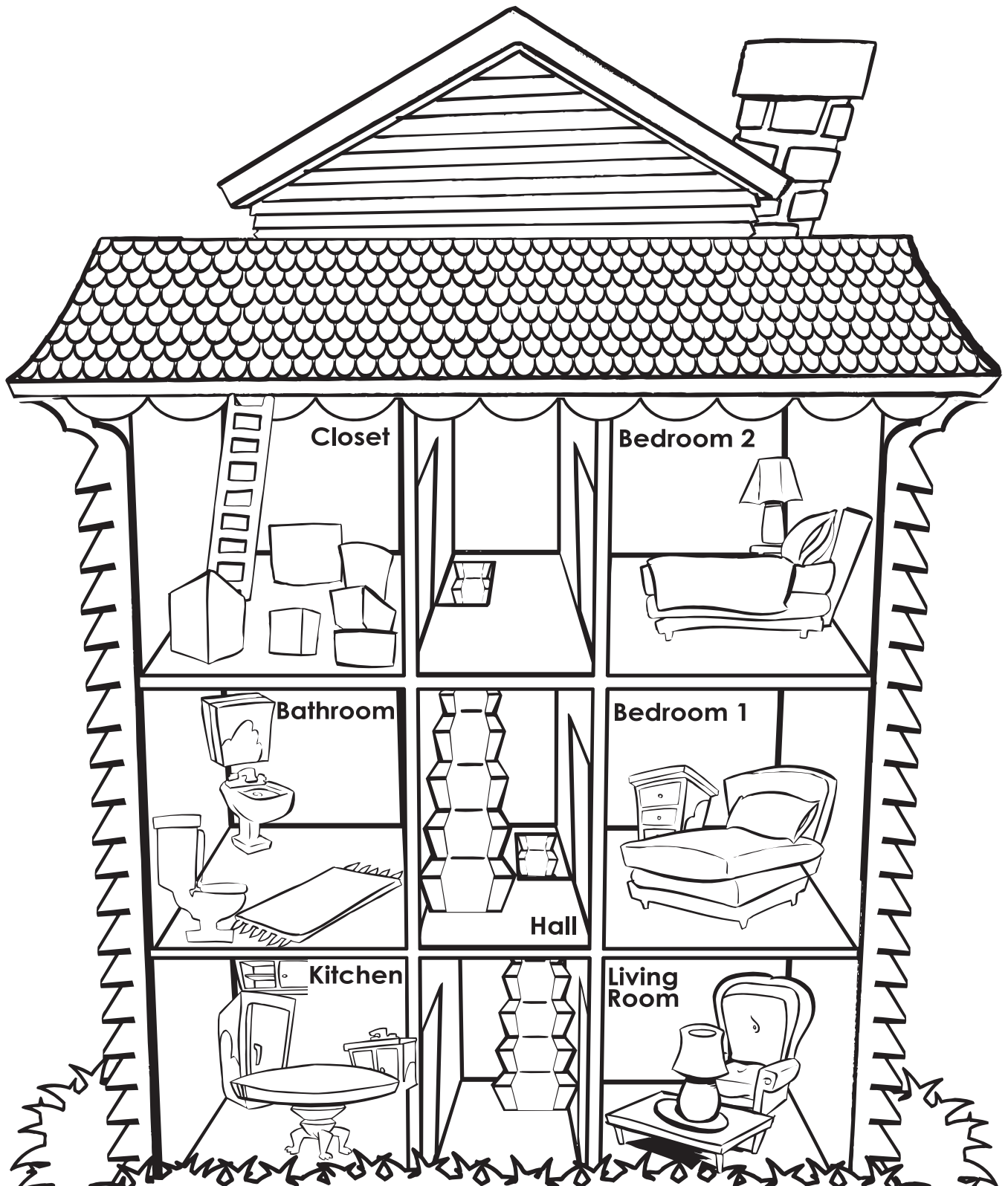
- The chair (is / are) in the middle of the room.
- Your toys (is / **are**) in the living room.
- Three people (is / **are**) watching TV.
- He (is / are) watching TV.
- A painting (is / are) on the wall.
- The lamp (is / are) on the table.

Around the House Game Cards

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Closet	Closet	Closet
Bedroom 2	Bedroom 2	Bedroom 2
Bathroom	Bathroom	Bathroom
Bedroom 1	Bedroom 1	Bedroom 1
Kitchen	Kitchen	Kitchen
Living Room	Living Room	Living Room
Hall	Hall	Hall



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