



GECO UNIT 4- HOUSING & MAINTENANCE

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TODAY'S CLASS:

1. Grammar Practice- Simple Past

- Regular & Irregular verbs
- Example- What did I do yesterday?

2. Breakout Room Activity- “I Can’t Sleep”

3. Vocabulary

4. Video- Asking your Landlord to do Repairs

5. How to Describe a Maintenance Problem

- Grammar focus- present progressive
- Making The Maintenance Request (Breakout Room?)

SIMPLE PAST- REGULAR VERBS

Most verbs  **add – ed**

sometimes you have to drop the 'e' or change the 'y' to an 'i' first.

play – play**ed**

share- share**ed**

visit- visit**ed**

carry- carried**ed**

work- work**ed**

cry- cried**ed**

talk- talk**ed**

finish- finish**ed**

SIMPLE PAST- IRREGULAR VERBS

Be	was/were
Have	had
Make	made
See	saw
Go	went
Hear	heard
Understand	understood
Say	said
Write	wrote
Read	read

SIMPLE PAST- WHAT DID I DO YESTERDAY?

On Friday, I **wake** up and **go** to my morning classes.
After my morning class, I **run** and then I **eat** lunch.
When I **finish** lunch, I **get** ready for my last class of
the day. After my last class I **am** very happy because
it is the weekend!!!!

I **woke** up

I **went** to my morning classes

I **ran** and then I **ate** lunch

I **finished** lunch and then I **got** ready for my last class

I **was** very happy



BREAKOUT ROOM #1

Simple Past Activity- I CAN'T SLEEP!!!!

HOUSING MAINTENANCE VOCABULARY

Landlord (n.)

Person who owns
the building
(house/apartment)



Tenant (n.)

Someone who lives in
the house/apartment
and pays rent to the
landlord

HOUSING MAINTENANCE VOCABULARY

Leaking (v.) - a small hole or crack that lets liquid come through

Clogged (adj.)- when something is blocked

Broken (adj.) not working right

Peeling (v.) to remove an outer layer from something



Handyman



Plumber



Exterminator



Electrician

HOUSING MAINTENANCE VOCABULARY (CON)

Handyman (n.)- someone who is good at doing repairs and practical jobs

Plumber (n.)- someone whose job is to repair water pipes, baths, toilets, etc.

Exterminator (n.)- someone whose job is to kill or remove pests

Electrician (n.)- someone whose job is to connect or repair electrical wires or equipment

VIDEO ACTIVITY - ASKING YOUR LANDLORD TO TO REPAIRS

Listen for:

What are landlords responsible for?

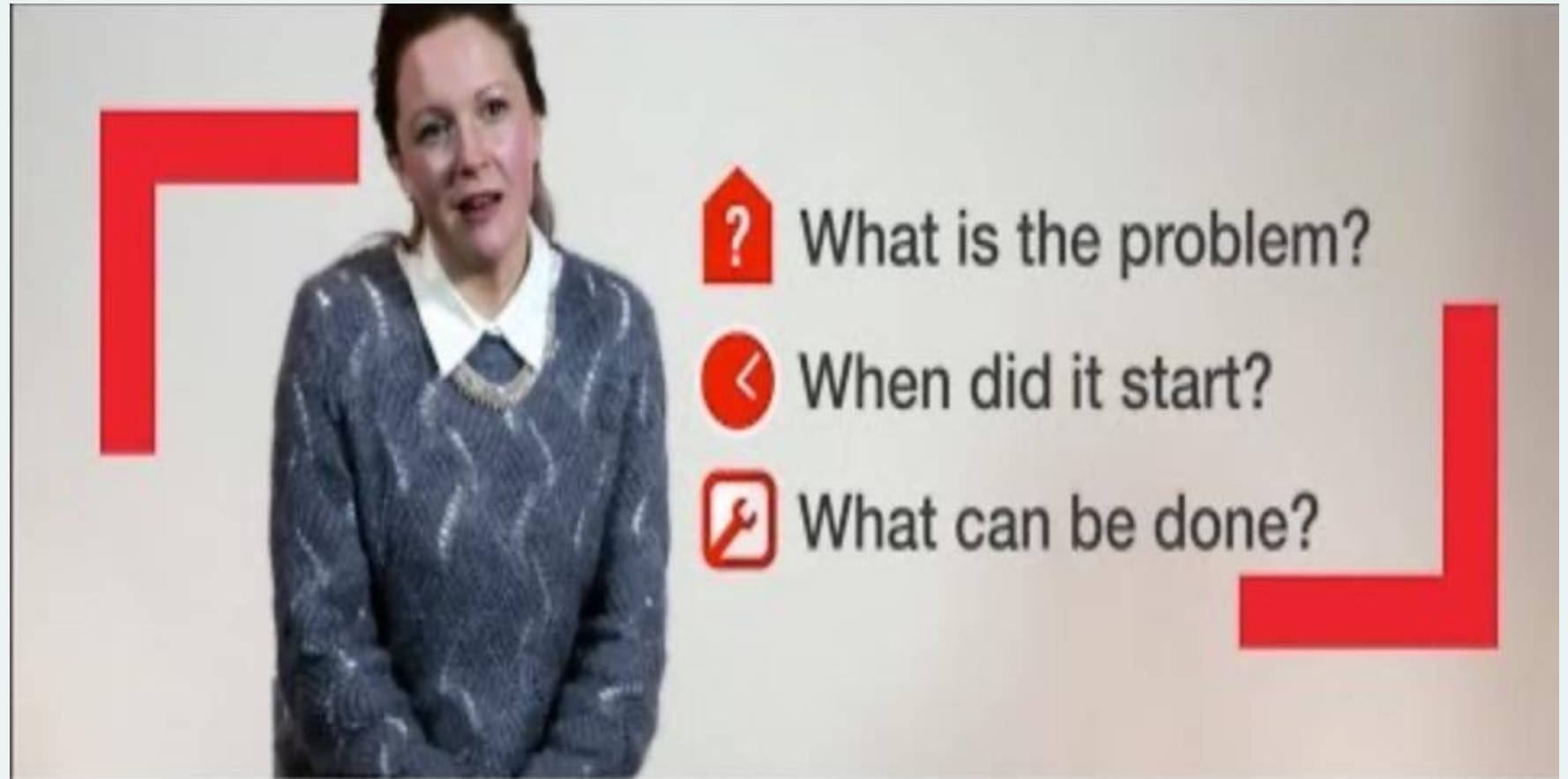
What is the most important thing to do if there is a problem in your home?

What is the best way to tell your landlord? Why?

What should you include when you tell your landlord?



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Asking your **landlord** to do **repairs**

ASKING YOUR LANDLORD TO DO REPAIRS:

What are landlords responsible for?

- Basic repairs that include the structure and exterior of the property

What is the most important thing to do if there is a problem in your home?

- To tell your landlord as soon as possible

What is the best way to tell your landlord? Why?

- In writing, so you have a record.

What 3 things should you include when you tell your landlord?

- What is the problem
- When it started
- What you expect from the landlord

DESCRIBING THE MAINTENANCE PROBLEM



Present progressive form:

- Noun + Be + verb- ing
- Noun + Be + adjective

Example:

The toilet is clogged.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



The smoke detector **is broken.**

Present progressive form:

- Noun + Be + verb- ing
- Noun + Be + adjective

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



The faucet **is** **leaking**.

Present progressive form:

- Noun + **Be** + **verb- ing**
- Noun + **Be** + **adjective**

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



The paint **is** **peeling**.

Present progressive form:

- Noun + **Be** + **verb- ing**
- Noun + **Be** + **adjective**

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



The window **is broken.**

Present progressive form:

- Noun + Be + verb- ing
- Noun + Be + adjective

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



The heat is not working.

Present progressive form:

- Noun + Be + verb- ing
- Noun + Be + adjective

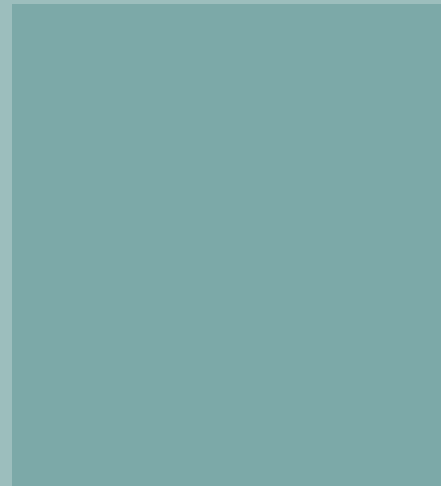
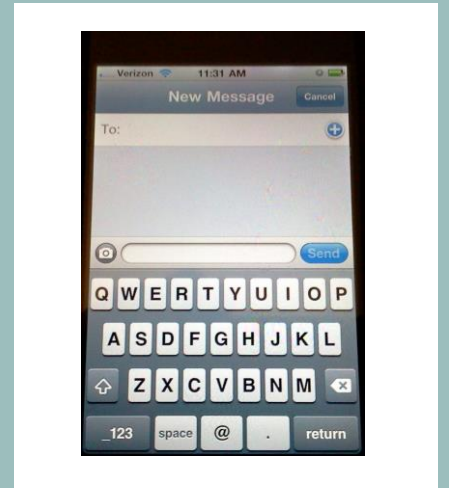
MAKING THE MAINTENANCE REQUEST:

Language style?

- formal/polite

What should you include?

- Greeting
- Explain the problem
- Make the request
- Closing



HOW WAS CLASS TODAY?



What did you learn?



What was most helpful?



What would you like to learn more about?



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