Listening and Speaking

1 BEFORE YOU LISTEN

CLASS. Imagine you are calling about an apartment for rent. Read the questions. What other questions can you ask?

How much is the rent?
Is a security deposit required?
Are utilities included?
How many bedrooms are there?
Is it furnished?
Is there a laundry room in the building?
Are pets allowed?

2 LISTEN

- Listen to the conversation. Why is Paula calling?
 - a. She wants information about an apartment.
 - b. She has a question about her rent.
 - c. She has a problem with her apartment.
- B Listen again. Read the sentences. Circle True or False.
 - 1. There are two bedrooms.

True False

2. There's a large living room.

True False

3. There's a laundry room in the building.

True False

4. There's a park around the corner.

True False



- Listen to the whole conversation. Why isn't Paula interested in the apartment anymore?
 - a. She needs three bedrooms. b. She wants to live near a park. c. It is too expensive.

CONVERSATION

Pronunciation Watch

Listen. Then listen and repeat.

living room dishwasher laundry room bus stop

Sometimes we put two words together to make a noun. The first word is usually stressed.

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B Listen and repeat the conversation.

Landlady: Hello?

Paula: Hi, I'm calling about the apartment for rent. Can you tell me about it?

Landlady: Sure. There are two bedrooms and a large living room.

Paula: Is there a laundry room?

Landlady: No, there isn't. But there's a laundromat down the street.

Paula: I see. Is there a park nearby?

Landlady: Yes, there is—just around the corner.

PRACTICE

- PAIRS. Practice the conversation. Then make new conversations. Use the information in the boxes.
 - A: Hello?
 - **B:** Hi, I'm calling about the apartment for rent. Can you tell me about it?
 - A: Sure. There are two bedrooms and a
 - B: Is there a
 - A: No, there isn't. But there's
 - **B:** I see. Is there a nearby?
 - **A:** Yes, there is—just around the corner.

sunny kitchen	dishwasher	a microwave	bus stop
new bathroom	parking lot	free parking on the street	shopping center
big closet	balcony	a big window in the living room	supermarket

B ROLE PLAY. PAIRS. Make your own conversations. Student A, imagine you are going to rent your house or apartment. Answer Student B's questions with true information. Student B, you want to rent a house or apartment. Ask questions.