
Title: *A New Flatmate*

Purpose: English Speaking Practice - Everyday Conversation, Small Talk, Describing Routines, Asking Questions

Level: A2-B1 (Pre-Intermediate to Intermediate)

Setting: Shared kitchen in a London flat

Characters

1. Emma (Age 25)

- British
- Works as a graphic designer in London
- Friendly, organised, enjoys baking
- Has lived in the flat for 2 years

2. Saira (Age 22)

- Pakistani, from Lahore
- Studying Business at a university in London
- Curious, hardworking, loves tea and learning languages
- Just moved in

3. Lucas (Age 28)

- Portuguese, from Lisbon
 - Works as a barista in a local café
 - Laid-back, good sense of humour, plays guitar
 - Lived in the flat for 6 months
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Scene: Shared Kitchen on a Saturday Morning

Emma is making tea. Lucas is scrolling on his phone. Saira walks in, holding a small box of spices.

Saira:

Morning, Emma! Morning, Lucas!

Emma:

Morning, Saira! How's your first night in the flat?

Saira:

It was lovely, thank you. Very quiet, which I didn't expect in London!

Lucas:

chuckles Just wait until the buses start at 6am.

Emma:

Ignore him. It's usually peaceful here. Do you fancy a cuppa?

Saira:

Yes please! I brought some chai masala if anyone wants to try. It's a spiced tea from back home.

Lucas:

Ooh, sounds fancy. I'm up for it.

Emma:

Same here! So, Saira, what are you studying again?

Saira:

Business management. I've just started my second year. Lots of group projects already!

Lucas:

I remember those. Group work always ends with one person doing everything...

Saira:

laughs You're not wrong.

Emma:

What about hobbies? Do you have time for any?

Saira:

I like learning languages. I'm trying to improve my English and a bit of Spanish.

Lucas:

Hey! I'm from Portugal - maybe I can help with your Spanish... kind of.

Emma:

Do you miss home at all?

Saira:

A little. Mostly the food and my mum's cooking. But I'm excited to explore London.

Lucas:

We should all do something next weekend - maybe go to Camden Market?

Emma:

That's a great idea. Lots of food stalls, music, weird vintage clothes...

Saira:

I'd love that. Thank you both - I feel really welcomed already.

Emma:

You're part of the flat now. We even have a WhatsApp group chat - I'll add you.

Lucas:

Just beware: Emma sends a lot of photos of her cat.

Emma:

He's adorable and you know it!

Vocabulary Notes (for Students):

- *Fancy a cuppa?* = Would you like a cup of tea?
 - *Flat* = Apartment (British English)
 - *Cuppa* = Cup of tea
 - *Chai masala* = Spiced tea
 - *Group project* = Team schoolwork
 - *You're not wrong* = A casual way to agree
 - *Camden Market* = A famous London market
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