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Moving home

Jackie: For this week's podcastsineenglish.com I'm talking to Emily, hello Emily...

Emily: Hello

Jackie: ... and Emily, um... I'm talking to you because I understand you've just moved into a new flat, is that right?

Emily: Yes, that's right. I just moved in um... last week.

Jackie: Last week? Right, tell me um... what is the main difference then between your old flat and your new flat?

Emily: The main difference is that my old flat was much more modern than the one I have just moved to.

Jackie: So you... you've moved into an older flat, have you?

Emily: Yes, yes. It's got a lot more character.

Jackie: So, it looks nicer, does it?

Emily: Yes, much nicer it's, it's really beautiful.

Jackie: What about the size? Are they... is the... is the new flat er... much bigger than the old one?

Emily: Um... the size is about the same, actually. Um... there are two bedrooms in both flats.

Jackie: I think you said that your old flat, um... it had a garden, does this one have a garden as well?

Emily: Well no, it has a balcony this one. So it's really nice I can go... I can sit outside and have breakfast on the balcony in the morning. Um... and no one can see me having breakfast, it's very private.

Jackie: Right. So you've gone from um... a modern place and you've moved into an old place, what was your reason for moving then?

Emily: Well, I... I like old buildings and that's a big reason for moving. Um... another reason is because I love cooking and the kitchen in the flat I have moved to, um... has a much bigger kitchen and it is... it is much

easier to cook in and there's a nice big table where people can sit down, um...

Jackie: So you can eat in the kitchen?

Emily: Yes, you can eat in the kitchen and there's a lot of space to cook in which is really nice. The kitchen in my old flat was much smaller, um... but there was a dishwasher, er... which was nice sometimes, but for me it is not really a big problem.

Jackie: So you don't have a dishwasher in your new place?

Emily: No, but I don't mind that.

Jackie: Okay, and are they both in the same area of town?

Emily: No, not really. Um... another reason for moving is because the flat, um, my new flat, um... is much closer to work, I can walk there it only takes five minutes on foot. My old flat um... was further away from work and I had to take a taxi in everyday. Um... and it got really expensive and... and also really enjoy walking, so that's another reason why I wanted to move. Um... there are also two other reasons, the first one, um... was because, um... a really good friend of mine lives upstairs and it's really nice, so we can have dinner together sometimes and... and chat. Another reason is because there's some really good shops nearby and a supermarket so it is very easy for me to do my shopping there. And um... also there are lots of nice café's and restaurants nearby too.

Jackie: Great. Is it er... more or less expensive though?

Emily: It's actually less expensive so, it's another reason.

Jackie: Great. Good well... so I look forward to your house warming party.

Emily: You're very welcome.

Jackie: Thank you.