

# Home Needs and Wants

**Subjects:** Maths and PHSE

**Age:** KS1 (5-7)

**Description:** Each one of us knows what we like and will have our own image of our perfect home, but how easy is it to separate what we 'need' from what we 'want'? This resource asks the children to identify 'needs' and 'wants' using a colour key, and then discuss their decisions.

**Mary, Dan and their 8-year-old twins are moving house. What are the 'needs' and 'wants' of the family as they look for a new home?**

## Colouring key:

If you spot something that the family cannot be without, then it's essential and they need it! Use a **green** highlighter or coloured pencil to identify that **NEED**.

If you spot something that would be nice for the family to have but is not essential, then they can only want it! Use a **yellow** highlighter or coloured pencil to identify this as a **WANT**.



## Extension:

1. Share your completed worksheets. Are all the needs and wants identified the same?
2. Consider how the needs might change if an old person, or a young couple with a new baby lived here? What about the wants?
3. What would you change if this was your house?

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Use the worksheet to see if you can sort out the 'needs' from the 'wants' in this family home, where Mary, Dan and their 8-year-old twins live.

## Colour key

Green highlighter: Need  
Yellow highlighter: Want

barbecue    driveway

outside space    stair lift    deck

shed    wardrobe    back garden    Wi-Fi    garage

open fire    carpets    heating    front garden    greenhouse

lightbulb    balcony    3 bedrooms    play area    washing machine    lighting

toilet    patio    mirrors    toilet    dining room    electrical sockets

games room    chair    feel safe    television    fridge    cinema room

door    ensuite    games    shower    bathroom    bath    door

family room    2 bedrooms    game controller    ice maker    internet access

double glazing    toys    trampoline    spare room    sofa    conservatory

central heating    puzzle piece    chairs    windows    table    tumble dryer

gaming console    storage    insulation    table    walk-in shower

computer monitor    nice neighbours    washing machine    hot water heater

satellite dish    cooker    freezer    microwave    hot and cold water