

Housemate questionnaire

Before you decide to either take in a housemate or move into a household, it's a good idea to first work out if you're compatible or not. We've put together a list of questions you can ask as a guide for your conversation. It will help you to determine whether you're a good fit and if you share the same priorities. We're sure you'll have some of your own questions that aren't on this list. So, we've made some room at the end so you can add your own.

Living arrangement

1. Is it a long-term arrangement or short-term?
2. Tenancy lease or house share agreement?
3. Is there a bond and if so, how much?
4. How much notice is required before moving out?
5. What are the deal breakers?

Rent and bills

1. How is the rent paid? Direct deposit or cash?
2. Will you provide me with a receipt for the rent?
3. How do the bills get split or is included in the rent?
4. How do I pay for my share of the bills?
5. Who pays for the TV streaming account/s?



Rent Offset

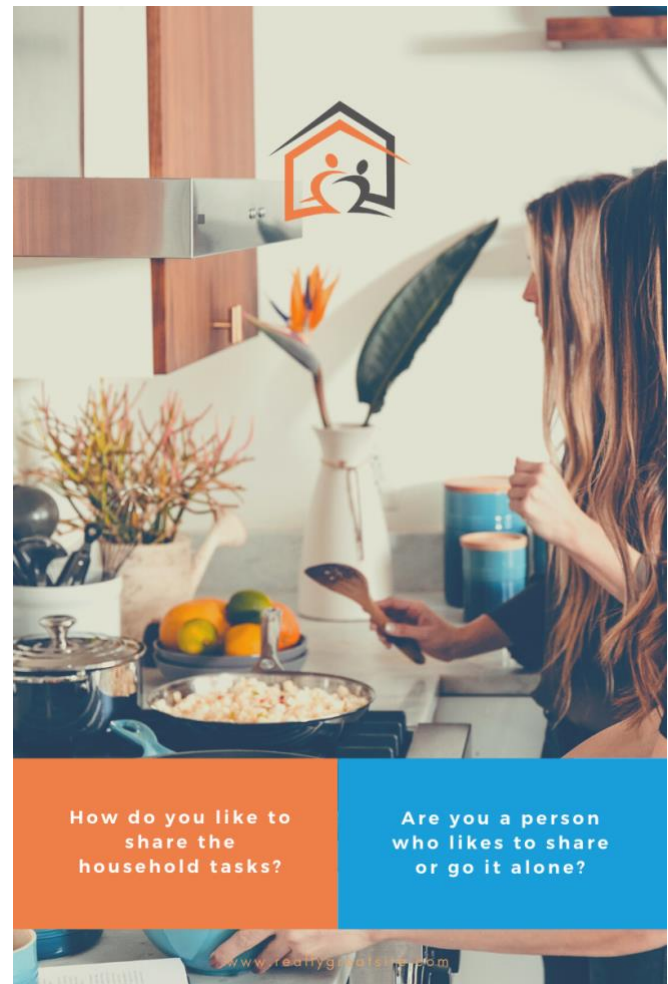
1. What do you want done specifically for the rent offset?
2. Do you want the help done at a specific time or is it more fluid?
3. Do you want the rent offset help logged somewhere as in a kitchen diary?

Food/Cooking

1. Do you like to cook and eat together?
2. Do you share food or label it?
3. Do you put money in a food kitty or buy your own?

Social and lifestyle

1. What is an ideal weekend for you?
2. What's your ideal night in with your housemates?
3. Do you plan to be around most weekends?
4. Do you party frequently, an average amount, seldom or never?
5. Are you more of a loner or a social person?
6. How would you describe your friends?
7. What are your household rules if there is a Covid outbreak/lockdown?
8. Do you work from home? If so, do you need an allocated work area?

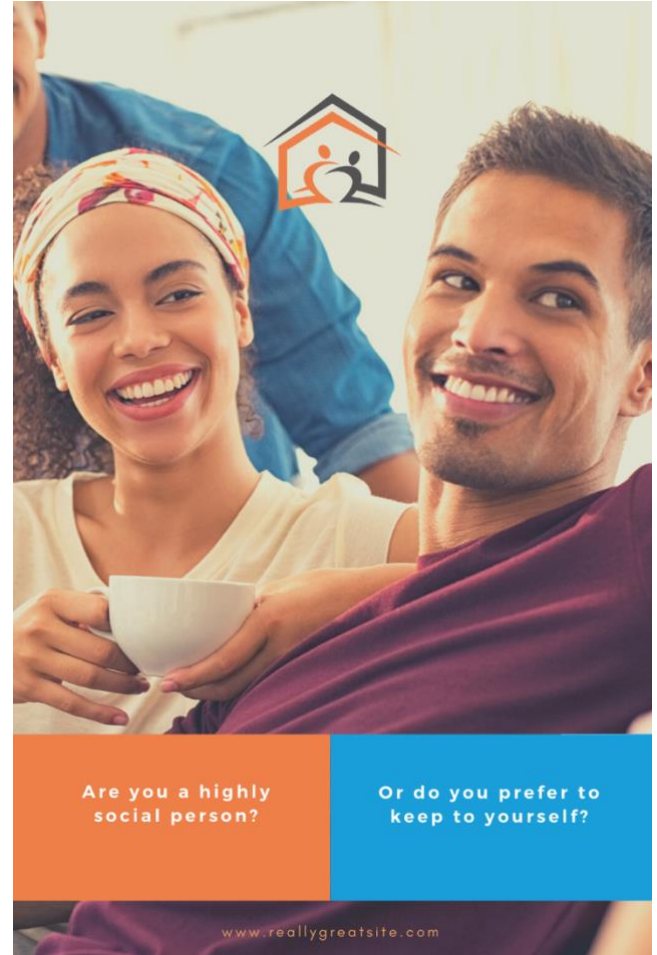


Visitors

1. Do friends stop by unannounced?
2. Do parents or other adults stop by unannounced?
3. How many people can visit at the same time?
4. Would we need to check with each other before having several people over?
5. Do you have friends who are likely to sleep over and if so, how often?
6. How many nights can a partner sleep over in a week?
7. Do you have to know someone before I bring them over?

Behavioural

1. Do you go to bed/get up early or late?
2. When you are annoyed do you talk it out or need to give it some time?
3. When you're angry do you tend to lash out or use the silent treatment?
4. What do you do when you're stressed out?
5. What kind of music do you listen to and how loudly?
6. Do you prefer allocated quiet times during the day/evening?
7. Do you have any quirks or habits that are helpful to know about?
8. Do you like a good debate, or do you like to keep your opinions to yourself?
9. Are you easily offended, or can you take a joke?



Cleaning/household chores

1. How do we manage the division of household chores?
2. Are you neat or untidy?
3. Do you wash your dishes right away or pile them?
4. Do you want laundry washed separately or together?

Lifestyle

1. Do you smoke? What are the smoking rules at home?
2. Do you drink alcohol every day at home?
3. Do you party often?
4. Do you get drunk?
5. Do you have/want pets?
6. What are the rules around private space and private items such as car, phone and Netflix account? Do we share or work it out as we go along?



Values

1. Are you environmentally conscious?
2. Do you have strong political or religious views?
3. Are you challenged by any lifestyle or persona?
4. How are you in terms of trusting people? Are you closed off or more open?