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HOSTEL RULES

To make life in this student hostel as comfortable and safe as possible for everyone, please remember these rules.

Security You have a special card which operates the electronic lock on your room door and a key for the main door of the hostel. These are your responsibility and should never be lent to anyone, including your fellow students. If you lose them you will be charged £20 for a replacement. Do not leave your room unlocked even for short periods (for example, when making yourself a coffee). Unfortunately, theft from student hostels is very common and insurance companies will not pay for stolen goods unless you can prove that your room was broken into by force.

<u>Visitors</u> There are rarely any rooms available for visitors, except at the end of the summer term. Stan Jenkins, the hostel manager, will be able to tell you and can handle the booking. A small charge is made. Stan also keeps a list of local guesthouses, with some information about what they're like, prices, etc. You are also allowed to use empty beds for up to three nights. with the owner's permission (for example, if the person who shares your room is away for the weekend), but you must inform Stan before your guest arrives, so that he has an exact record of who's in the

building if a fire breaks out.

Students are not allowed to charge each other for this.

Kitchens There is a kitchen on each floor where light meals, drinks, etc. may be prepared. Each has a large fridge and a food cupboard. All food should be stored, clearly marked with the owner's name, in one of these two places. Bedrooms are too warm for food to be kept in, and the cleaners have instructions to remove any food found in them. After using the kitchen, please be sure you do all your washing-up immediately and leave it tidy. If you use it late in the evening, please also take care that you do so quietly in order to avoid disturbing people in nearby bedrooms.

Music If you like your music loud, please use a Walkman! Remember that your neighbours may not share your tastes. Breaking this rule can result in being asked to leave the hostel. Musicians can use the practice rooms in the basement. Book through Stan.

Health Any serious problems should be taken to the local doctor. The number to ring for an appointment is on the 'Help' list beside the phone on each floor. For first aid, contact Stan or one of the students whose names you will find on that list, who also have some first aid training.

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 Read the text on the next page to decide if each statement is correct or incorrect.

• Look at the statements below about a student hostel.

- 11 Every student has a key to the main door.
- 12 You can borrow your friend's main door card.
- 13 Insurance companies will pay if someone steals your card and takes things from your room.
- 14 Spare rooms are least likely to be available in summer.
- 15 Your brother can stay free of charge if he uses the other bed in your room.
- 16 Guests must report to Stan when they arrive.
- 17 The cleaners take away food that they find in bedrooms.
- 18 If you cook late at night, you should leave the washing-up until the morning.
- 19 Students who play loud music may have to leave the hostel.
- 20 You should ask Stan to call a doctor if you are ill.