

Desperate Housewives

1. Dishwasher
2. Dryer
3. Fridge
4. Freezer
5. Microwave
6. Oven
7. Stove
8. Washing machine
9. To clean up/to tidy up
10. To mop up
11. To scrub
12. To dry
13. To dust
14. To freshen up
15. To polish
16. To rinse
17. To wipe up
18. To do the ironing
19. To clean up the mess

Cleaning supplies:

baking soda	<i>white powder used for cleaning and removing odours</i>
bleach	<i>liquid added in small amounts to water; has strong chemicals that remove stains on white clothing; also used to clean bathrooms</i>
broom	<i>brush with a long handle on it for sweeping floors</i>
carpet cleaner	<i>foam or liquid soap used on rugs and carpets</i>
deodorizer	<i>product that removes bad smells from a room; often scented</i>
dishwashing detergent	<i>liquid or powder soap that goes into a dishwasher</i>
dust pan	<i>flat container used for collecting dirt and dust swept up with a broom</i>



duster	<i>a cleaning tool with a handle and feathers (or a soft cloth) used for wiping dust off surfaces</i>
garbage or trash bag	<i>large, heavy bag for collecting the household garbage</i>
garbage or trash bin	<i>container with a lid that holds large garbage bags</i>
gloves	<i>coverings for the hands, with separate holes for the fingers</i>
hose	<i>a long tube that fills with water; often kept outside and used for outdoor cleaning</i>
laundry detergent	<i>powder or liquid soap used for cleaning clothes and linen</i>
mop	<i>long stick with a sponge at the bottom that is soaked in water and soap; used for cleaning floors</i>
recycling bin	<i>a container that holds paper, tins, glass, and other garbage that can be reused</i>
scouring pads	<i>tough cleaning pads used for scrubbing pots, pans, and ovens</i>
scrub brush	<i>a brush with a handle on it; often used for cleaning toilets</i>
sponge	<i>a soft cleaning product that absorbs water and is used for washing surfaces</i>
stain remover	<i>laundry product used specifically on spots that regular laundry detergent cannot clean (stains include red wine or blood)</i>
vacuum cleaner	<i>a machine that sucks up dust and dirt on the floor as you push it around</i>
vinegar	

Answer the following questions:

- 1. How often do you do the cleaning?**
- 2. What do you hate doing about the house?**
- 3. What are your favorite household duties?**
- 4. Who in your opinion should keep the house clean?**
- 5. Do you agree that it is completely a woman's duty to clean up?**
- 6. Are you tidy/messy?**
- 7. Are you obsessed with cleaning? Do you know people who are obsessed with it?
What do you think of such people?**



- 8. What makes a housekeeper's life easier?**
- 9. How long does it take you to tidy up the flat?**
- 10. Have you ever been in a fight with your partner about performing household duties?**
- 11. Do you agree that daily routine spoils the romance?**
- 12. Would you like to have a housekeeper? Can you afford having a housekeeper? Is it common in Russia?**
- 13. Do you think a housewife's life is easy?**
- 14. Do you understand women who are housewives and don't work?**