

# Lesson 67 The room is spick-and-span.

**Target:** Having a conversation about spring cleaning.

## Vocabulary 単語

### Spring Cleaning



#### Related vocabulary

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| - to <b>bleach...</b>                  | - to <b>let... pile up</b>                    | - to <b>scrub...</b>      |
| - to be <b>spick-and-span</b>          | - to <b>air... out</b>                        | - to <b>polish... up</b>  |
| - to <b>accumulate...</b>              | - to <b>shower... off</b>                     | - to <b>wet...</b>        |
| - to <b>declutter</b> a room / a house | - to <b>touch... up</b>                       | - to <b>push... aside</b> |
| - to <b>place... neatly</b>            | - to <b>fold...</b>                           | - to <b>dust...</b>       |
| - to <b>give... a deep clean</b>       | - a <b>dust pan &amp; broom</b>               | - to <b>wring... out</b>  |
| - to <b>shampoo</b> the carpets        | - to <b>get down on one's hands and knees</b> | - to <b>wipe... down</b>  |

## Conversation 会話

**1** Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

### Partner #1: Questions

1. Do you enjoy doing the washing? Why? / Why not?
2. What do you need to get down on your hands and knees to do?
3. What's the best way to get rid of scuff marks?
4. What do you use to remove: mold / muck / dirt / grime / scum / slime?
5. What in your house gets smeary / moldy / mucky / dirty / grimy / slimy?
6. What do you need to do when you clean the kitchen?
7. What spring cleaning do you normally need to do outside your house?
8. What do you need to do when you clean the bathroom?
9. What can you do to declutter a bedroom?
10. What are going to need to do a spring clean? e.g. a mop, squeegee, shammy, rag, bucket, broom, rake

### Partner #2: Questions

1. What part of the house do you really hate cleaning and why?
2. What are some of the possible implications that can happen if you don't clean your house?
3. What different cleaning products do you know? e.g. Mr. Sheen, Windex, Dawn, Pledge
4. When do people in Japan usually do spring cleaning?
5. What do you need to do when you clean the living room?
6. What do you need to do when you clean a bedroom?
7. If too much dust has accumulated, what can it lead to?
8. If your room stinks what can you do to remove the odor / freshen up the room?
9. How do you mop the floor?
10. What do the following phrases mean: look like a pig sty / spotless / like a bomb has hit it?

**2** Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role play:** Partner #1: You have to clean your house. Discuss what needs to be done.  
Partner #2: You have to clean your house. Discuss what needs to be done.
- 2. Speech:** Talk about the last time you have your place a good cleaning.
- 3. Speech:** Imagine you are a maid and describe the filthiest house that you have had to clean.
- 4. Debate:** You think the house needs to be cleaned, but your partner thinks it's fine the way it is.