

Grammar Lesson
Lesson 42: Tim is the guy fixing the sink
レッスン 42: 流し台を直しているのがティムです**Target: Talking about housing using present participle clauses**
目的: 住宅について現在分子節を使って話してみましょう!Reading
単語

New vocabulary introduced in the reading

• (to) save up	お金をためる	• (be) decent	親切な
• (to) renovate	リフォームする	• (to) hammer in...	(くぎ)を打ち込む
• in which	その中に	• a nail	くぎ
• (to) specialize in...	~を専門に扱う	• (be) backbreaking	骨の折れる(仕事)
• renovation	リフォーム	• (be) a wiz with...	~が得意だ
• (to) project that...	予想する	• (to) break out	出火する
• (be) in a rush	大急ぎで	• a fire extinguisher	消火器
• (to) point... out	指し示す	• a saw	のこぎり
• (to) rip up...	引きはがす	• (to) leave... lying around	~を出しっ放しにする

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Read the passage and circle the new words as you find them

I've been saving up for ages to get my house renovated. It just isn't big enough at the moment. I have three kids, and they all want their own rooms, plus they really need an area in which they can all play. I had a big house when I was a kid and I really want to give my kids the same. That's why I've decided to add an extra floor onto my house.

Last month, I finally got enough money so I contacted a local company that specializes in housing renovations.

Since the living room is much bigger now than it used to be, I'd really like to get a larger TV. But having spent all my money on the renovation I'm going to have to wait a while until I can get it. There have been working on the place for a few weeks already. They project that it's going to take another 5 weeks to complete. It's OK though cause I'm not in any rush.

There are quite a few members of the team working today. Let me point them out to you. That guy over there ripping up the carpet is Dave. He's the boss. Everyone reports to him. He seems like a pretty decent guy, and it seems like everyone respects him. The big guy cutting the wood is Simon. He's the flooring guy. He knows so much about flooring it's a little scary. Ben is the old guy hammering in the nails. The other guys said that he has been working in construction for over 30 years. Which is impressive, considering what a backbreaking job it is. There are also some new members to the team. Diago is the guy doing the wiring. He's supposed to be a wiz with electronics. And from what I've seen so far, he really looks like he knows what he's doing. Mark is another new member to the team. He's the guy installing the smoke detectors in the kitchen. My place got a little damage in a small fire that broke out a few years ago, so I'm really happy that are installing fire extinguishers.

My son likes to watch the renovators work, but at the moment he is at school studying. He should be home around 4:00 though. Last week, my son had a little accident. He cut his hand while playing with one of the saws the builders had left laying around. He said it wasn't that bad, but feeling worried I took him to the hospital. The doctor just gave him a few stitches and sent him home. He was right, it wasn't that bad. But I just don't like taking chances. Especially when family is involved.

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Answer the questions below

1. Why can't he afford to get a new TV?
2. Who is Dave?
3. Who is Simon?
4. Who is Ben?
5. Who is Diago?
6. Where is his son at the moment?
7. Feeling worried, where did he take his son?
8. How many present participle clauses can you find?

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