

PROJECT LIFE®



2.2.1 My Future Living
Environment Preferences

Learning Objectives

Interns will:

- Identify preferences for future living environments.
- Demonstrate the ability to share plans for future living environments to the IEP team.



When you think about your future, what do you think about?



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Some of the things you might have said:

- A job or employment
- Getting a driver's license
- Buying a car
- Finding your own place to live
- Owning your own pet

There are many things that make up the life of a young adult.



Today, we will focus on choosing where you want to live after you graduate.

- First, not EVERYONE has to move out. Not EVERYONE has to live by themselves.
- Where you live, who you live with, and in what type of housing you live in can look different for everyone else.



Today, we will focus on choosing where you want to live after you graduate.

- What types of housing options are available?
 - Apartment
 - House
 - Condominium or condo
 - Townhouse
 - Studio / studio apartment
 - Assisted-living
 - Group home
 - Any other options you can think of?



INDEPENDENT LIVING

What does that even mean?

Simply, to be as self-sufficient as possible.



House

A building for human habitation, especially one that is lived in by a family or small group of people



Apartment

**A large building
containing
residential suites;**



Townhouse

A multi-story house in a modern housing development which is attached to one or more similar houses shared by walls.



Condominium

A building or complex of buildings containing a number of individually owned apartments or houses



Studio Apartment

An apartment
consisting of a single
large room serving as
a bedroom and living
room, with a
separate bathroom



Assisted Living

Housing for people who are elderly or have disabilities that provides nursing care, housekeeping, and prepared meals as needed



Group Home

A home where a small number of unrelated people in need of care, support, or supervision can live together, such as those with disabilities



So are you ready to live on your own?

Small Group Activity:

Create a list of skills you think a person needs to have in order for them to live as independently as possible.

You have 5 minutes to create your list.



Individual Activity:

Complete the 2.2.1 “Skills
Needed to Live on My
Own”



Extension Activities

SAMPLE

Searching for a Place to Live

List responsibilities of a
homeowner.

List responsibilities of a
renter.



Searching for a Place to Live

Now that you have learned about some of the most common living arrangements, which one interests you the most?

Using the two of the websites below, do a search for where you would like to live as well as the type of housing you prefer.

- **Hint**: You do NOT have to choose the city you live in right now.

www.zillow.com

www.rent.com



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