

2 It's 5 o'clock. Sean Murphy is on his way home from work. He is tired and the bus is full but he is happy to be going home.

"I'm happy that I'm going home to my family and my little house in the country," he thinks.

He thinks of his wife and his four children and his mother and he smiles.

"I want to see my wife and my children and my mother," he thinks.

Then he thinks of his quiet house in the country.

"But first of all I want to sit on the sofa. I want to relax and I want to read a good book."

Finally Mr Murphy is at home. He is very tired now but he is happy.

He says hello to his wife and children and mother. Then he sits down on the sofa. He stretches his legs then lifts up his book.

"Now I can relax," he thinks and smiles.

Glossary

- **full:** (here) with lots of people
- **lifts up:** takes in his hand
- **on his way home:** going home
- **relax:** rest and feel good
- **sofa:** comfortable chair for 2 or 3 people
- **stretches his legs:** puts his legs out in front of him

But Mr Murphy is not alone in the room. His wife and children and mother are there, too. And there is a piano and a guitar. And there are pots and pans bubbling on the cooker in the kitchen. Mr Murphy can't relax. He puts his book down and sighs.

It's the same every day. When he comes home, his mother is playing the guitar and his wife is playing the piano. His two youngest children are fighting and his two older children are arguing about the television. And the pots and pans are bubbling on the cooker.



Glossary

- **arguing:** discussing a problem aloud
- **bubbling:** (here) making noise when cooking
- **fighting:** hitting each other
- **sighs:** breathes aloud because he is unhappy

The Clever Woman

Poor Mr Murphy is very unhappy. He can't read his book with all the noise. He can't relax when he gets home.



● **noise:** loud sounds

After Reading

1 Look at the pictures. Write what is happening in the

a)



b)



c)





2 What are they doing when Mr Murphy comes home? Write sentences using the verbs below in the present continuous.

fight	listen	see	run after	bubble	snore
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- a) Mr Murphy's wife
- b) Mr Murphy's mother
- c) The mice
- d) His two older children
- e) His two younger children
- f) The pots and pans

Farm Animals

-  **3** Write the names of the animals under the pictures. Then listen and match the interesting animal facts with the picture.



-  **4** Listen again and tick (✓) the true (T) and cross (✗) the false (F).

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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a) Cows produce about 30 litres of milk a day. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b) We keep sheep for their milk, their meat and their wool. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c) Ducks get cold easily. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) Chickens aren't birds. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e) Geese are very friendly. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f) Kids are called kids. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

-  **5** Find some interesting facts about animals. Then tell the class.