Roommate Matching Questions

It is important that you and your potential roommate(s) are compatible. In this section you will find a list of questions you may not think to ask potential roommates in order to determine your compatibility.

Where to live

- What kind of places are you looking at? (apartment complexes, houses, duplexes, townhomes, etc.)
- What kind of price range are you looking at?
- Are you looking for a group lease or individual lease?
- Will we get cable and internet if not included in rent?
- Who will set up utilities?

Schedules

- Do you work on or off campus?
- Do you have a day time or evening job?
- What time do you usually go to bed?
- Are you a morning person or a night owl?
- Will you be staying over break?
- If some of you will be leaving over break, how will you divide up utilities?

Sleeping arrangements

- Are you a light sleeper? If so, what types of things can you not sleep through (music, lights, talking, cooking)?
- Are you a heavy sleeper? Do you have problems sleeping through an alarm? Will I have to make sure you're up?
- Can friends/significant others spend several nights at our place? How do you feel about multiple overnight guests?

Cleaning/laundry

- Do you consider yourself a messy person?
 How about a neat freak?
- Should we develop a cleaning schedule?
 How often do you do laundry?
- Will we share cleaning supplies/laundry detergent?

Food

- Should we share food?
- If we shouldn't share food, are there certain things we can share like seasonings, cooking oils, flour, etc.?
- Do we buy groceries together? Do you cook often or just use a microwave?

Sharing stuff

- Are you willing to share your stuff?
- Can I use your computer, tablet or ipod if I don't own one?
- Can I borrow your clothes?
- If you own a car are you ok with driving your roommate around town?
- Do you like keeping your place warm or cool? What is your ideal temperature?

Parties

Are you planning to host any house parties?
 Do you drink? Do you smoke?

Pets

- Are you willing to live with a pet?
- Do you have any allergies to pets?
- If you have a pet, are you a responsible pet owner? Will you keep the apartment clean of hair and animal smells?



On a scale 1-10, how important are the following:

- 1. Locking the exterior doors: _____
- 2. Cleaning the kitchen floor: _____
- 3. Cleaning the bathroom sink, floor and tub: _____
- 4. Emptying the garbage: _____
- 5. Doing your laundry: _____

If I offend you, what would you do?

- a) Talk to me
- b) Post on Facebook & twitter
- c) Leave a note on the fridge
- d) Ignore the problem

What is the single most important thing/quality you are looking for in a roommate?

Be sure to get these questions answered BEFORE you sign a lease with someone! There are many things that can pop up throughout the year, and you and your roommates will not always be on the same page.



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