FIRST STEPS ENGLISH FOR BEGINNERS

Just for a Few Days

Episode 3 of A Chance for Maya | Vocabulary and Grammar Guide

Maya has a room, but only for two weeks. At the library, Nora notices that Maya needs information and points to a job notice at the café.

Words and phrases to keep

Use these explanations after you listen. Each example is simple English you can reuse.

I need a job

Meaning: a clear, useful sentence for an important need now

In the story: “I need a job.”

New example: “I need a teacher.”

just for a few days

Meaning: only for a short time

In the story: “I am here just for a few days.”

New example: “We are here just for two nights.”

How many?

Meaning: a question about a number

In the story: “How many days?”

New example: “How many tickets?”

a notice

Meaning: a short public message with information

In the story: “There is a notice at the café.”

New example: “Read the notice on the wall.”

Grammar in the story

Use **how many** with things we can count: “How many days?” Use the plural after two: “two weeks”, but “one week”.

A pronunciation reminder

Listen to the end of important words. Clear final sounds make simple English easier to understand. Repeat slowly first, then at a natural speed.

Practice - vocabulary and grammar

Complete each sentence. Do this page before you turn to the answers.

1. Maya says, “I need a _____.”
2. Maya is staying for a few _____.
3. Nora asks, “How _____ days?”
4. Maya has two _____.
5. Two weeks is not much _____.
6. Maya needs _____.
7. Nora sees a _____ at the café.
8. The notice is about a _____.
9. “Just” often means _____.
10. We say two _____, with an s.

Answers

1. job
2. days
3. many
4. weeks
5. time
6. information
7. notice
8. job
9. only
10. weeks

Keep learning

Listen again, then use one useful sentence in a real situation this week.