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How to buy a house

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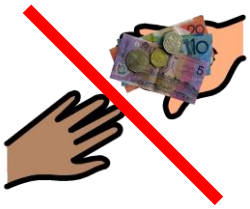
You may be able to buy a house with your court money.

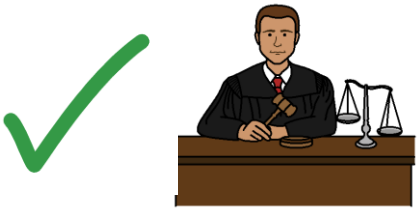
Do **not**

- sign a contract

or



- pay any money.



You must ask for your court money.

The Senior Master must agree to everything.

How to buy a house

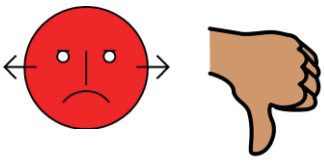
Talk to your Trust Officer

Your Trust Officer will talk to the Senior Master

You need to show the Senior Master you

- have the money for a house
- need a house
- can get insurance.

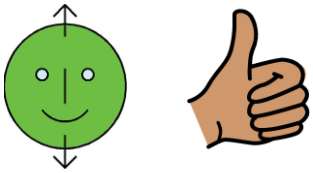
Your Trust Officer will help you.



The Senior Master says **no**.

You can **not** look for a house

Talk to your trust officer.



The Senior Master says **yes**.

You can look for a house.

The Senior Master will say how much money you can spend.

Find the house you want.

Your Trust Officer can help you.

Find the house you want

You need to know

- the price

and

- the building is good.

Your Trust Officer can help you.

Your Trust Officer will tell the Senior Master about the house.

The Trust Officer will check the house is ok.

The Trust Officer will check the

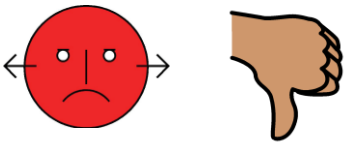
- price is good

and

- the building is good.

The Trust Officer must look at the

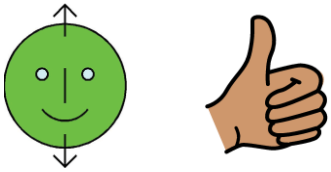
house buying papers.



The Senior Master says **no**.

You can **not** buy this house.

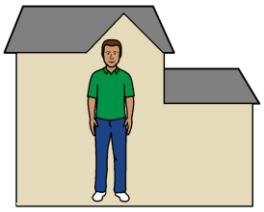
Talk to your Trust Officer.



The Senior Master says **yes**.

You can buy this house.

Your house. Your rights



You must live in your house.

Talk to your Trust Officer if you need work done to your house.

For example, a new bathroom.

or

If you wish to sell your house.

Your Trust Officer will always talk to you about

- your needs

and

- how much money you have.

2 trustees will be the legal owners of your house.

A trustee is a lawyer.

The trustees own the house for you.

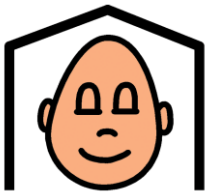
The trustees

- read all the legal papers

- sign your house papers.

  The papers say the trustees

  own your house



- keep you safe.

  No one will take your house from you.

Insurance

You pay money to an insurance company.

Something might happen to your house.

For example, a

- flood

- fire

  or

- break in.

The insurance company may give you money.

You can fix your house.

You **must** have insurance.

Your Trust Officer will help you get insurance.

You need to get a Police check.

If you do a crime you must tell your Trust Officer. You may

- lose your insurance
- have to sell your house.

To sell your house

Talk to your Trust Officer.

Your Trust Officer will always

talk to you about

- your needs

  and

- how much money you have.

The Senior Master can sell your house.

The Senior Master may sell your house if

- you do **not** need the house

  or

- you need money to buy something else.

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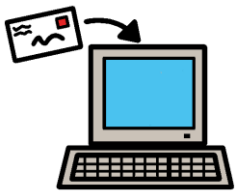

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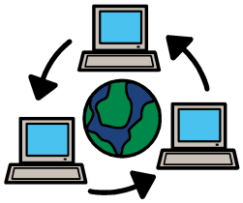

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