

# Different rooms and their functions

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## Living (sitting) room

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- it's a meeting place for family members and largest in the house,
- for relaxation and for social activities like entertaining, listening to music, games and eating,
- furniture and furnishing should provide maximum comfort and atmosphere that gives complete relaxation.

**NB:-**

- it should be easily accessible from all rooms and
- should have a back door if possible for privacy of other rooms,
- if possible let it have activity areas where different activities can be done without interference.

## The dining room

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- it is for eating,
- smaller than sitting room,
- have furniture and chairs for family members,
- may have a cupboard/sideboard,
- some times in absence of a dining hall one end of a living room/area of kitchen is used,

**NB:**

(a) should be next to kitchen/directly joined to the kitchen,

(b) should have a window/hatch to allow easy serving of meals.

## Bedrooms

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for sleeping/resting,

**NB:-**

1. should be located in a way which offers comfort and relaxation,
2. should be in a quiet part of house,
3. adequately furnished e.g should have a bed bedside table, dressing table and wardrobe.

## The kitchen

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- for food preparation, preservation, cooking and storage,
- acts as a serving area,
- serves as a dining room and can be for laundry.

**NB:-**

- Should be located in a place naturally and artificially lit.
- Should be near the dinning room and living rooms, near food store and back door.

**The food store**

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for storage of non-perishable food though a house may have a fridge/cupboard for this.

**NB:** should be near kitchen

**Sanitation**

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Has a bathroom and toilet, could be in one room/separate.

**NB:-**

- should be where there is water supply,
- should be near the bedroom for privacy.

**Bath shelters and latrines:**

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- common in rural areas,
- outside the house to keep away flies.

**NB: -**

- should be kept clean,
- should be away from the water source,
- latrine pits should be covered to keep off flies and bad smells.