



## Housing:

### *Marie Helps Find an Apartment*

As a realtor, Marie often helped people find their dream homes. In their city, it was sometimes hard for people to find where they wanted to live, and prices sometimes got very expensive. She specialized in helping people find **apartments** rather than **houses**.

Often she found herself helping people who were coming here for work. Since they wouldn't be in the city for very long, they would **rent** instead of buy a place. Having a **mortgage** would be expensive as well as make a lot of extra paperwork when someone could just sign a **lease**.

Though, Marie and Lewis owned their **house**; they'd bought it years ago with a 25-year **mortgage** they'd organized through a friend. Before that, they'd lived in a furnished **apartment** they'd found online. Marie thought fondly of their first tiny **apartment**, it had been theirs, without even any **roommates**.

"Hello Julian," Marie said, waving at her newest client. He was moving from France and needed to find an **apartment** quickly as his last one had fallen through.



"Bonjour Marie," Julian said, "How are you?"

"I'm good, thank you! I have some beautiful **apartments** to show you today." Marie nodded towards the red brick building behind them. "The **landlord** who lives here is very nice, all the other **tenants** I've spoken to said he's very receptive and quick to fix any problems."

"That's good to hear," Julian said, "my last **apartment** I had a leaky faucet for ages."

Marie opened the door and started to walk up the stairs. "Everything but **Wi-Fi** is included, that means your **utilities** and your **hydro**."

"What about furniture? I didn't bring anything with me when I moved."

"There are units available that can fit both, it'll be up to you if you want something **furnished** or **unfurnished**".

Julian nodded, taking the information in, "How many rooms are there? I'd like to have a separate office to work in."

"There are some four and a half available, that means that the **apartment** has a kitchen, living room, bathroom, and two separate rooms that you can use either as a bedroom or office space."

Julian smiled, "This all sounds wonderful! I hope it is as beautiful as you describe"

Marie smiled back, "It absolutely is! I am sure that you will love it."

