Be honest about your thoughts and ideas

Personal stuff I don't want you to use:

Good roommates don't have to be best friends Understand your housing policies and guidelines

Roommate Topics

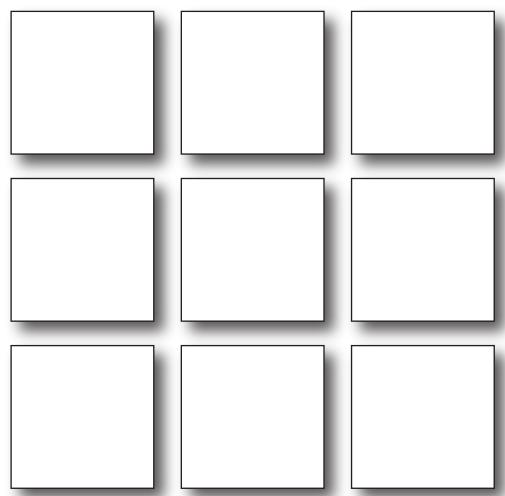
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We might be able to share some things. Let's talk about how to handle this. More thoughts about organizing our food, using the refrigerator, & purchasing:	
☐ I prefer to keep our food/snacks/beverages separate.	
You're welcome to eat or drink whatever's mine.	
FOOD (check each you agree with)	
More specific ideas about sleep and quiet that might go into our roommate plan:	_
Let me sleep in, even if you know I need to be somewhere.	
Wake me up if you know I need to be somewhere important.	
I have a hard time sleeping if the lights are on if there's talking or noise.	11.
SLEEP (check each you agree with) I like to go to sleep around p.m. a.m., and I usually wake up around a.r.	n
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More specific ideas that might go into our roommate plan:	_
I'll probably do most of my studying ☐ in our room. ☐ somewhere else. ☐ I like the idea of having regular study/quiet hours in our room.	
When I study I like it to be quiet. Activity/noise doesn't bother me.	
STUDY HOURS (check each you agree with)	

CLEANING (check each you agree with) ☐ I don't mind a messy room. ☐ I like a clean room. ☐ I don't mind cleaning. ☐ I don't like to clean. ☐ I think we need to share the cleaning chores equally. ☐ It might be a good idea to have a regular cleaning schedule and plan. A list of specific cleaning chores we'll need to do regularly include:
Chores I'm willing to do:
More specific ideas that might go into our plan:
PRIVACY AND GUESTS (check each you agree with) If you plan to have guests Ask me ahead of time to make sure it's OK. There's no need to ask. If I need to study or sleep, please find another place for your guests. If I need for your guests to leave, I'll let you know. For overnight guests, give me at least a day's notice. For overnight guests, I do not need notice. More specific ideas about privacy that might be a part of our plan:
COMMUNICATION (check each you agree with) ☐ I'm usually direct. You'll know when we need to talk. ☐ I'm sometimes indirect. Let me know if you think we need to talk. When issues come up and we need to talk, you can: ☐ tell me directly ☐ write a note ☐ suggest we meet with the residence staff to talk ☐ other ☐ More specific ideas about discussing & resolving issues or conflicts:
OTHER TOPICS Discuss your thoughts/ideas/experiences for each of the following: alcohol use/abuse

Arrange to meet with your roommate(s) for your discussion. You may also want to have a residence life staff member help with the conversation.

OUR AGREEMENT

STEP THREE After discussing the topics, agree to a plan for each one. If you need more space, grab extra sticky notes or a sheet of paper to expand your ideas.



It's a good idea periodically to evaluate how the plan is working. The first review of our plan will be on_____(date.) as issues come up or things change, we will negotiate changes to our plan. If we need help from the residence life staff, we will ask for it.

Signatures (everyone signs):

Lets Talk

For Roommates!

Why?
Having a roommate is a great way
to make a new friend. This booklet
is used to make sure that you and
your new roommate are going to
grow closer and avoid conflict.

Directions:

- 1. Fill out pages 1 \$ 2 on your own.
- 2. Meet to discuss the topics.
- 3. Create "Our Agreement" on page 3.
- 4. Turn form in to your RA.

STEP FOUR Read over the form and turn into your RA.