

A to Z English



A to Z Quick Chat 63: My House, My Home, My Place

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00:00:35 Xochitl

Hey, listeners, welcome to new episode of A-Z English podcast. Today we're going to do a vocabulary quick chat.

00:00:43 Xochitl

Where we talk about the difference between my home, my place and my house, these words can be used interchangeably, but they all have slightly different connotations.

00:00:55 Xochitl

Look around if you want to hear when to.

00:00:57 Xochitl

Use which one.

00:00:59 Xochitl

Jack, do you want to maybe give us a rundown of what you think each of the three?

00:01:04 Xochitl

Where do you think they'd?

00:01:05 Xochitl

Be appropriate to be used.

00:01:07 Jack

Yes, I'm a little bit scared because I'm pretty sure I use these incorrectly sometimes or so.

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OK. Well, OK.

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Home and house.

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Let's start with my home.

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My house first.

00:01:18 Xochitl

Yeah, that's a good one.

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OK, so we have an expression in English that goes.

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A house is not a home.

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So a house is like sticks and bricks.

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It's like the actual structure, the building.

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And that's the way I would view, like a house, a home is the place where I live.

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So a home could be.

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Like a condo.

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Or a townhouse.

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It could be a house.

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It could.

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The uh.

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A yurt?

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It could be anything, because it's the place where I sleep at night.

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It's the place where my family or.

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Or it could.

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Be just my own place that I live alone.

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But it's the.

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Place where I where I hang out and stay when I'm not working and when I'm.

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You know.

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Away from other people.

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It's my.

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It's my home.

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But it doesn't have to be a a physical place necessarily.

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Usually it is, but it doesn't have to be.

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And then my plate.

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And sorry, go ahead.

00:02:24 Xochitl

I was going to say I feel like home has a certain like warm and fuzzy connotation and it's.

00:02:30 Xochitl

The reason that.

00:02:30 Xochitl

You also hear the expression almost where the heart is.

00:02:35 Xochitl

People say my hometown, for example, there's a lot of expressions just attached to it.

00:02:40 Xochitl

There's a sense of belonging.

00:02:42 Xochitl

Presence of it doesn't necessarily have to be family, but there is kind of like a kinship or familial connotation to the.

00:02:50 Xochitl

Word home.

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Yeah, there's even.

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I think an adjective, homey, which is, like, feels like it feels.

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Like a home.

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It's very much like a like a nest, you know, kind of nesting quality.

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Right.

00:03:01 Xochitl

They lived in, yeah.

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But comfortable.

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Clean but not, you know, maybe not perfect, you know?

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So it just has a very.

00:03:10 Xochitl

Right.

00:03:10 Xochitl

Not like.

00:03:11 Xochitl

Hotel we can clean our catalog looking clean.

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Right, right.

00:03:15 Xochitl

It looks like people live there.

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That nothing cold, very warm, kind of feeling to it.

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So that's the so and would you agree with my my definition of house then my house would be just like an actual physical house?

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Or do you think we can use an apartment?

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Because that that'd be strange, I think to call an apartment or a condo.

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The house I would.

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I would.

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Be more inclined to say my home.

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Then my house.

00:03:43 Xochitl

Four brings us to our third one, my place.

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My place? Yep.

00:03:48 Xochitl

I was when I was in Seattle hanging out with some friends, one of them said, hey, let's go back to my place and he was hiking about an apartment.

00:03:57 Xochitl

And my place is usually used as that kind of casual.

00:04:03 Xochitl

It's just kind of a casual way to refer to the place that you're staying or.

00:04:07 Xochitl

Live at the.

00:04:09 Xochitl

So like, let's go to my place or let's hang out at my place.

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Or you can stay at my place.

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These are all kind of.

00:04:18 Xochitl

And I think you would use that over.

00:04:22 Xochitl

You can stay at my home or let's go back to my home.

00:04:28 Jack

Yeah, it's a little too formal, right?

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It's like my place is more casual.

00:04:31 Xochitl

Yeah. So.

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If they said.

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Let's go back to my house then.

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Then there's only one one reasonable like.

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Outcome to that situation would be that we go to a House.

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So we could say that, but if you don't live in a house and you say come back to my house, that's just kind of strange way of talking.

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It'd be much better to say what you said.

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Let's come back, come back to my place, and that could be an apartment.

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It could be a townhouse.

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It could be a house.

00:05:04 Jack

It could be whatever.

00:05:07 Jack

Yeah, exactly.

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So place is really a safe one.

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You could just say my place and it covers everything.

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My home, my house, my place.

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My place is a catchall for all of those.

00:05:18 Xochitl

Yeah. So if you're ever in doubt as a non-native speaker and it will make you sound more natural and more native, you can only stay in my place because that's

something I feel like isn't taught as an alternative as often because it's so casual potentially, but it's used very often amongst native speakers like hey, let's go back to my place.

00:05:38Xochitl

Party at my place at 5:00 and you can crash at my place.

00:05:43Xochitl

Stuff like.

00:05:43Jack

Yes, that is exactly right.

00:05:45Jack

That is exactly right.

00:05:47Jack

So maybe listeners out there, why don't you go ahead and send us an?

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E-mail and use.

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These examples in sentences and see if you can figure out the difference between the three of them, and you could send your emails.

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And all right, I guess we'll see you next time.

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Everybody. Bye. Bye.

00:06:32Xochitl

Bye bye.

