



Property viewing checklist

What to check when viewing a property

- Check for signs of damp** on walls, ceilings, around windows and behind furniture such as wardrobes
- Look out for pests** e.g. mice, slugs & fruit flies. Traps, slug trails, droppings or sounds can be an indication of a problem
- Think about location** – is it close to walk to Uni or if not is it close to public transport links?
- Safety & security** – look for properties on well-lit roads with working fire alarms, safe electrical sockets and secure locks on **all** doors and windows
- Look at appliances & white goods** – check if they're supplied and if so, check they are in good condition and can cater for everyone living in the property
- Test the water supply** by opening taps, running showers and flushing toilets to make sure they work properly
- Ask about furnishing and fittings** (e.g. sofas, wardrobes etc.) to check if they would be included in the move
- Think about insulation** – check for double glazed windows, secure doors, drafty areas and a good heating system
- Talk with current tenants** as they can give you an unbiased and realistic account of what it's like to live there