

LETS *Start!*

OFFERS & WANTS WORKSHEET

Many people express difficulty knowing what they can OFFER and what they WANT from a LETSsystem - this Worksheet and the Inspiration List are designed to get you thinking about what you can get from your local LETS. On this sheet you can jot down your first ideas and then redraft them as adverts to go into the directory.

Think of TEN things you LOVE doing e.g. painting pictures, tinkering with engines/ organising things, cooking etc. and write them below:

Now think of TEN things you HATE doing e.g. washing up, cleaning windows, filling out income tax forms, repairing the car, etc. and write them down:

Think of TEN things you have you could SHARE with others, e.g. your ability to speak French, your car, bike, tools, books, videos etc:

Now think of TEN things you could OFFER to your local LETSsystem - then circle the things you would be willing to offer:

Now think of TEN things you would WANT from your local LETSsystem - then circle the things you dare ask for!

If you are a bit short of ideas take a look at the Inspiration List on the next page...

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INSPIRATION LIST

Here's an Inspiration List of some of the OFFERS and WANTS that have been traded on LETSystems in the UK. It demonstrates the HUGE variety of skills we have between us. If you can't think of what to OFFER, or what you WANT, take a look at the list and think again!

HOME & DOMESTIC

Shopping
Returning library books
Help choosing presents
Kitchen Elf
Washing up
Use of washing machine
Use of carpet cleaner
Carpet cleaning
Window cleaning
Cookers cleaned
House "blitz" cleaning
Help when moving house
Help with kids' parties
Cleaning up after parties
Extra help when you're ill
Your Slave for the Day
Ironing
China repairs
Shelves put up
Horse minding
Waiting in for tradesmen
Plant care during holidays
Pet sitting, dog walking

FOOD

Home-baked Bread, Pies,
Cookies Best Recipes, tips
Celebration Cakes, Cream
Teas, Vegetarian freezer
meals
Bulk Buy Food Co-op
Garden Vegetables
Allotment vegetables
delivered; PYO fruit, Free
range eggs Goats Milk &
Yogurt Candle-lit Dinners
Caribbean Cookery
Special diets, invalid
cookery & shopping, Local
Honey, beeswax
herbs, home grown jams,
bottled fruit Dinner Set,
preserving pans, tables etc
to hire Food Mixer for sale

CLOTHING

Clothes repaired
Revamp your wardrobe
Curtains made up
Sweaters, commissions
Clothes swap parties
Colour & style advice;
help choosing clothes
Costume making, Mend
jeans, "baggies"
Embroidery, applique
Skis, ski boots etc to rent
Wanted buttons pre 1960
Clothes rail for hire
Patchwork finished
Fabric crafts, bags, hats

ARTS & CRAFTS

Personal Greetings Cards
Poster Design, DTP,
Cartoons, illustrations
Old picture frames wanted
House Portraits Batik,
Fabric painting Tie
dyeing, Candles,
Jewellery Silk Screen
Printing Darkroom/studio
share Use of Kiln, wheel
Pottery, commissions
Photography, Video
Camera hire Art & Craft
afternoons Paper making
Models for life drawing
Paintings, sculptures
Disco, Band hire, Guitar,
Piano, Singing Voice,
Dance lessons etc., Trips to
theatre, cinema,
exhibitions Poems for
birthdays Storytelling,
Comedian, Theatre group
seeks extras, Recording
studio, Band seeks practice
room, Audiotape copying
Slide projector hire
Marketing of art/crafts

BUILDING

Electrical repairs -
fridges, music centres,
washing machines etc.
Electrician, emergency
call out
Video recorder/DVD
advice, Joinery,
Carpentry, Plastering
Plumbing, Central
heating, Energy saving
advice and installation
Architectural design
Tool, ladder hire
Concrete mixer, skip,
scaffolding hire Saws,
chisels sharpened,
Walls, fireplaces built
Pianos moved -Gutters
cleared, Builders mate,
big brawny & brainy
Household repairs

GARDENING

Gardening advice
Garden tool hire,
mower, strimmer etc
Weeding, lawn mowing,
digging Garden Gang -
sorts your garden in a
day! Use part of my
garden for allotment
Hedge laying Fencing
erected, Tree surgery
Garden Design Patios,
paths laid, Ponds and
fountains, Garden Shed
wanted, Chicken house
built, Harvest help
Logs chopped, delivered
Manure
Strimmer for hire
Chain saw & driver

ACCOMMODATION

Bed & Breakfast (for
your friends when you
haven't room)
Storage: Attic/dry cellar
Garden & barbeque hire
Shed, Garage to rent
Room for parties
Stall with tarpaulin
Marquee
4 berth tent & camping
equipment, all in
camping, back garden,
swap houses for cheap
holiday, May-Sept or for
Christmas, 2 people to
share holiday cottage,
June Caravan, temporary
site needed,
Grazing for horses

INTERIOR DESIGN

Painting & Decorating
Wallpapering
Wallpaper stripping,
Furniture made, restored,
stripped, painted
French polishing,
Advice on décor
Murals,
Marbling,
Space saving design
Upholstery

**Now let your mind
roam over other
categories:**

**TRANSPORT
BUSINESS
OFFICE/COMPUTING
GOODS WANTED
FOR SALE OR HIRE
HEALTH & BEAUTY
TUITION
CHILDCARE
etc.**