

## Preparing to leave home for vacation

**Uncle :** So Beth, you're sure you have time to do some things for us while we're away ?

**Beth :** No problem . Just let me know what you need done .

**Uncle :** OK . First , can you get our mail from the mailbox . and any newspapers in the yard – and just put them inside the front door in a bag

**Beth :** Fine . How often do you want that done ?

**Uncle :** Every day . actually . But you'll need to feeds and walk the dog twice a day . so you'll be over there anyway

**Beth :** I see . What do I feed the dog . and how far should I walk him ?

**Uncle :** A cup of dry dog food around 8:00 in the morning . and another around 5:00 should be fine . I'll leave a big bag of dog food in the kitchen . Walk him around the block when he's done eating Oh, and keep his water bowl filled up . if you could .

**Beth :** Sure . Anything else ?

**Uncle :** Will the garbage collector comes Tuesday . and I'm going to leave the garbage can down by the street today . but Tuesday night , can you put it back in the back yard for us ?

**Beth :** I suppose so . . . . .

**Uncle :** Oh, and can you water the rose bushes in the front yard ?

**Beth :** How often should I do that ?

**Uncle :** Two or three times a week if it doesn't rain . . . .

**Beth :** So is that all ?

**Uncle :** Just one more thing – you're welcome to enjoy the swimming pool. The house – you know we just got a giant new plasma TV – just clean up, OK ?

**Beth :** How about the keys to your BMW ?

**Uncle :** Worry but the car's not included