## Lucky Homes

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## WRITING SAMPLE

Genre: Light & Breezy Comedy

Format: Home Design Casino Game - Barks

Demographic: Adult Women

## SET-UP

The game follows a gameshow meets HGTV format. Dialogs are written for a host and contestants on the show. The player fulfills the role of the home decorator. Barks are written in response to the decorating choices made by the player.

## EXCERPT

Character: Isabelle, an international diva with a takes-no-prisoners attitude.

| Keys            | Properties                    | TEXT                               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| bigwin_0        | image=isabelle,position=right | I rattle my jewels for you, lovey. |
| bigwin_1        | image=isabelle,position=right | That's just smashing, dahling.     |
| bigwin_2        | image=isabelle,position=right | Fabulous, fabulous!                |
| challengedone_0 | image=isabelle,position=right | Absolutely stunning, my dear.      |
| challengedone_1 | image=isabelle,position=right | I could just eat you up.           |
| challengedone_2 | image=isabelle,position=right | Dazzling!                          |
| energywin_0     | image=isabelle,position=right | Spectacular!                       |
| energywin_1     | image=isabelle,position=right | Lovely. Lovely.                    |
| energywin_2     | image=isabelle,position=right | Let's go again, shall we?          |

| Keys                      | Properties  | TEXT  |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| enter_0                   | image=isabelle,position=right   | Smashing. Let's begin.  |
| enter_1                   | image=isabelle,position=right   | Yes. You're here!   |
| enter_2                   | image=isabelle,position=right   | I was so hoping you'd come by   |
| exit_0                    | image=isabelle,position=right   | Au revoir!  |
| exit_1                    | image=isabelle,position=right   | Ta ta for now!!   |
| exit_2                    | image=isabelle,position=right   | Ciao. Ciao.   |
| intro                     | image=host<br>image=isabelle,position=right<br>image=host<br>image=isabelle,position=right<br>image=isabelle,position=right<br>image=host | Well, well, {[PLAYER]}, I think you're ready for a bit more of a challenge. Allo, dahling. We do this now, yes? Meet {[ISABELLE]}, she's what you might call high maintenance. High maintenance, you silly, delightful man. Let's just say my cheekbones cost more than your annual salary. Take it away. |
| start_FLOOR               | image=isabelle,position=right   | Flooring makes a statement, and that statement should be "Wealth".  |
| best_FLOOR                | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right   | Mmmm. Sumptuous.  |
| okay_FLOOR                | image=isabelle,position=right   | Warm. Regal. It'll do.  |
| start_WALLS               | image=isabelle,position=right   | Never be afraid of color, dahling.  |
| best_WALLS                | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right   | Oh. I could just wrap myself in those little touches.   |
| okay_WALLS                | image=isabelle,position=right   | Very refined.   |
| start_BACKWALLC<br>EILING | image=isabelle,position=right   | Not too decadent. We don't want to look like we're trying too hard.   |
| best_BACKWALLCE ILING     | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right   | You know how to make a statement, don't you cherie?   |
| okay_BACKWALLC<br>EILING  | image=isabelle,position=right   | It's very nice.   |
| start_WINDOWCO<br>RNER    | image=isabelle,position=right   | Remember, I'm not afraid of the classics.   |
| best_WINDOWCO<br>RNER     | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right   | Delicious. I could eat it with a spoon.   |

| okay_WINDOWCO            | image=isabelle,position=right             | Cozy. That's a word right?   |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| Keys                     | Properties                                | TEXT   |
| start_WINDOWCE<br>NTER   | image=isabelle,position=right             | Every room needs a focal point.  |
| best_WINDOWCEN<br>TER    | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | Reminds me of my summers in Tuscany.   |
| okay_WINDOWCE<br>NTER    | image=isabelle,position=right             | A bit of pastoral pop. Well done.  |
| start_RUG                | image=isabelle,position=right             | A rug should never be lost underfoot.  |
| best_RUG                 | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | Such delicate work. It's wonderful!  |
| okay_RUG                 | image=isabelle,position=right             | Draws just enough attention.   |
| start_BACKDECOR          | image=isabelle,position=right             | I don't encourage eating and drinking outside of the dining room.            |
| best_BACKDECOR           | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | Plants! They just scream don't set your drink on me.                         |
| okay_BACKDECOR           | image=isabelle,position=right             | My maid will love to water them.   |
| start_LEFTWALLDE<br>COR  | image=isabelle,position=right             | In my travels I've collected so much memorabilia. I should show it off, yes? |
| best_LEFTWALLDE<br>COR   | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | That snifter was a gift from a Morrocan king, you know.                      |
| okay_LEFTWALLDE<br>COR   | image=isabelle,position=right             | So many memories encased behind this glass.                                  |
| start_RIGHTWALLD<br>ECOR | image=isabelle,position=right             | It does get a little chilly in the evenings.                                 |
| best_RIGHTWALLD<br>ECOR  | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | I look marvelous by firelight, don't you?                                    |
| okay_RIGHTWALLD<br>ECOR  | image=isabelle,position=right             | That cuts through the cold.  |
| start_CHAIRLEFT          | image=isabelle,position=right             | We call this my sitting room, dahling. So, a place to sit, yes?              |
| best_CHAIRLEFT           | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | Little buttons and gold. How delightful!                                     |
| okay_CHAIRLEFT           | image=isabelle,position=right             | Stuffed without being too stuffy.  |
| start_CHAIRRIGHT         | image=isabelle,position=right             | Formal chairs never go out of style, my dear.                                |
| best_CHAIRRIGHT          | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right | I love to share a wink across a room. It's so sinful.                        |

| okay_CHAIRRIGHT   | image=isabelle,position=right  | A perfect place for a quiet night of reading. Ha!   |
|-------------------|--|---|
| Keys              | Properties   | TEXT  |
| start_SOFA        | image=isabelle,position=right  | Every now and then, a lady needs to entertain.  |
| best_SOFA         | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right  | The perfect size for two with plenty of room to woo.  |
| okay_SOFA         | image=isabelle,position=right  | I can just see myself lounging into the evening.  |
| start_TABLE       | image=isabelle,position=right  | I believe coffee table should be classic and unobtrusive.   |
| best_TABLE        | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right  | You've found just the right balance. Bravo!   |
| okay_TABLE        | image=isabelle,position=right  | Best of all, no water rings.  |
| start_ACCESSORIES | image=isabelle,position=right  | A little pizzazz, but don't overdo it.  |
| best_ACCESSORIES  | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right  | Delightful! Wax fruit! How precocious.  |
| okay_ACCESSORIES  | image=isabelle,position=right  | As long as there are no candles in the holders, we'll be fine.  |
| start_LIGHTS      | image=isabelle,position=right  | How about a grand statement?  |
| best_LIGHTS       | image=isabelle,pose=active,position=right  | Perfect. Now I feel like I'm at the Plaza.  |
| okay_LIGHTS       | image=isabelle,position=right  | A bit heavy, but I can see your vision.   |
| complete          | image=host<br>image=isabelle,position=right<br>image=host<br>image=isabelle,position=right<br>image=host | So, {[PLAYER]}? How'd you fair? Fair?! Dahling, try fabulous! Just look around. Congratulations! Looks like you've got style and charm. Oh yes, and now that I've seen what {[PLAYER]} can do, I have all sorts of plans. Something tells me we should buckle up. |
|                   |  | GENERIC NEGATIVE RESPONSES  |
| Generic_Bad_01    | image=isabelle,position=right  | You're missing the point, entirely.   |
| Generic_Bad_02    | image=isabelle,position=right  | First day on the job?   |
| Generic_Bad_03    | image=isabelle,position=right  | Does this look like my happy face?  |
| Generic_Bad_04    | image=isabelle,position=right  | Well, we can't all have talent.   |
| Generic_Bad_05    | image=isabelle,position=right  | Perhaps you should consider a career in accounting  |

Character: Zoe. She's modern and full of sass, but endlessly distracted by her mobile

| Keys            | Properties   | TEXT  |
|-----------------|--|---|
| bigwin_0        | image=zoe,position=right   | Mo' money. Mo' money.   |
| bigwin_1        | image=zoe,position=right   | That's how we do it.  |
| bigwin_2        | image=zoe,position=right   | Be the hype!  |
| challengedone_0 | image=zoe,position=right   | Way to zhuzh things up!   |
| challengedone_1 | image=zoe,position=right   | Spicy monkey. Me likey.   |
| challengedone_2 | image=zoe,position=right   | You're on fire!   |
| energywin_0     | image=zoe,position=right   | Treat yo'self.  |
| energywin_1     | image=zoe,position=right   | Day'am, friend.   |
| energywin_2     | image=zoe,position=right   | Uh-huh. That's what I'm talking about.  |
| enter_0         | image=zoe,position=right   | OhAren't you just?  |
| enter_1         | image=zoe,position=right   | Speak to me.  |
| enter_2         | image=zoe,position=right   | Allo, lovely.   |
| exit_0          | image=zoe,position=right   | Kinda leaving me in the lurch here, aren't you?   |
| exit_1          | image=zoe,position=right   | Don't be a stranger.  |
| exit_2          | image=zoe,position=right   | You'll miss me when you're gone.  |
| intro           | image=host<br>image=host<br>image=zoe,position=right<br>image=host<br>image=zoe,position=right | For our next episode with {[ZOE]}, let's live a little.  Because we're doing a living room, get it?  {[RAYMOND}, you remind me of my dad.  Because he's smart and handsome?  No. Because he's old and lame. |
| start_FLOOR     | image=zoe,position=right   | Time to max out my credit cards. I need a floor that says "swank."  |
| best_FLOOR      | image=zoe,position=right   | Warm and rich, just what I'm aiming for.  |
| okay_FLOOR      | image=zoe,position=right   | The wood is nice.   |
| start_WALLS     | image=zoe,position=right   | This is the new {[ZOE]}. I need to zhuzh up my image.   |
| best_WALLS      | image=zoe,position=right   | That brickwork is fire!   |

| okay_WALLS            | image=zoe,position=right | Understated. I like it.                                   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Keys                  | Properties               | TEXT  |
| start_BACKWALLCEILING | image=zoe,position=right | We need a little more glamour downstairs than upstairs.   |
| best_BACKWALLCEILING  | image=zoe,position=right | Yes. They call that wainscotting? I like it.              |
| okay_BACKWALLCEILING  | image=zoe,position=right | Kinda classy, right?                                      |
| start_WINDOWCORNER    | image=zoe,position=right | I need a ton of natural light.                            |
| best_WINDOWCORNER     | image=zoe,position=right | I'm glowing, right? I'm glowing.                          |
| okay_WINDOWCORNER     | image=zoe,position=right | Big panels of color.                                      |
| start_WINDOWCENTER    | image=zoe,position=right | This is the focal point of the room.                      |
| best_WINDOWCENTER     | image=zoe,position=right | Columns for no reason. Excellent.                         |
| okay_WINDOWCENTER     | image=zoe,position=right | Nice wood accent.   |
| start_RUG             | image=zoe,position=right | A rug can absolutely kill a look.                         |
| best_RUG              | image=zoe,position=right | Those colors tie everything together.                     |
| okay_RUG              | image=zoe,position=right | Stripey!  |
| start_BACKDECOR       | image=zoe,position=right | Anyone with any hype has plants. Have you noticed?        |
| best_BACKDECOR        | image=zoe,position=right | Perf and low maintenance. Just how I like it.             |
| okay_BACKDECOR        | image=zoe,position=right | It's a good look.   |
| start_LEFTWALLDECOR   | image=zoe,position=right | Do you think you can work around the stairs?              |
| best_LEFTWALLDECOR    | image=zoe,position=right | Storage and style. We work well together.                 |
| okay_LEFTWALLDECOR    | image=zoe,position=right | Nice nooks and crannies.                                  |
| start_RIGHTWALLDECOR  | image=zoe,position=right | I need a place for everything. And it's gotta have style. |
| best_RIGHTWALLDECOR   | image=zoe,position=right | I'm definitely adulting now.                              |
| okay_RIGHTWALLDECOR   | image=zoe,position=right | It's big, right? Really big.                              |
| start_CHAIRLEFT       | image=zoe,position=right | I need a spot that says "talk to me."                     |
| best_CHAIRLEFT        | image=zoe,position=right | Totes hot. Totes.   |
| okay_CHAIRLEFT        | image=zoe,position=right | Imposing.   |
| start_CHAIRRIGHT      | image=zoe,position=right | Mix and match or match and match?                         |

| best_CHAIRRIGHT   | image=zoe,position=right   | Agreed. No drama llama.  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Keys              | Properties   | TEXT   |
| okay_CHAIRRIGHT   | image=zoe,position=right   | You like to mix it up.   |
| start_SOFA        | image=zoe,position=right   | My sofa is the heart of my home.   |
| best_SOFA         | image=zoe,position=right   | Let the binge watching begin!  |
| okay_SOFA         | image=zoe,position=right   | Cozy.  |
| start_TABLE       | image=zoe,position=right   | I need a place to set the stage…or my glass, you know.   |
| best_TABLE        | image=zoe,position=right   | Upcycled is in.  |
| okay_TABLE        | image=zoe,position=right   | Tablecloths in the living room? Interesting choice.  |
| start_ACCESSORIES | image=zoe,position=right   | Time for some finishing touches.   |
| best_ACCESSORIES  | image=zoe,position=right   | Oooo, what am I reading?   |
| okay_ACCESSORIES  | image=zoe,position=right   | Oh, a flower. My cat will love that.   |
| start_LIGHTS      | image=zoe,position=right   | When the sun goes down, how do I set the mood.   |
| best_LIGHTS       | image=zoe,position=right   | Yaasssss!  |
| okay_LIGHTS       | image=zoe,position=right   | I said I like lots of light.   |
| complete          | image=host<br>image=host<br>image=zoe,position=right<br>image=host | Well, {[ZOE]}, this is a new look for you. What do you call it? All kinds of fabulous. No argument here. |
|                   |  | GENERIC NEGATIVE RESPONSES   |
| Generic_Bad_01    | image=zoe,position=right   | UhTrigger warning.   |
| Generic_Bad_02    | image=zoe,position=right   | You can't be cereal.   |
| Generic_Bad_03    | image=zoe,position=right   | Are you trying to bum me out?  |
| Generic_Bad_04    | image=zoe,position=right   | I can't show that on my vlog.  |
| Generic_Bad_05    | image=zoe,position=right   | Weaksauce.   |
| Generic_Bad_06    | image=zoe,position=right   | UhAwkward.   |
| Generic_Bad_07    | image=zoe,position=right   | Cringeworthy.  |