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## Less is more?

# Watching

## A: Before watching:

- 1. How big is you flat/house? How many rooms are there in your flat/house? Is it enough for you?
- 2. Do you feel comfortable at your place? What can you change in your flat/house so that you can feel better at home?



B: Watch the speech and summarise Graham Hill's message. What are his three approaches?

#### **Summary:**

| 3 approaches:  |  |  |
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| C: Watch the speech again (00:58 – 5:05) and fill the gaps with words or chunks: |  |  |
| 1.   | So we've got the space, but we've become such good shoppers that                     |  |
|  | we need even more space.   |  |
| 2.   | So where does this lead? Lots of, huge,  |  |
|  | , and perhaps not coincidentally, our happiness levels over                          |  |
|  | the same 50 years.   |  |
| 3.   | Well I'm here to suggest there's a better way, that less might actually more.        |  |
| 4.   | I bet most of us have experienced at some point the of less: college - in your       |  |
|  | dorm, traveling - in a hotel room, camping - rig up basically nothing, maybe a boat. |  |
| 5.   | So I started a project called Life Edited at lifeedited.org to this                  |  |
|  | and to find some great solutions in this area.                                       |  |
| 6.   | First up: my 420 sq. ft. apartment in Manhattan with partners                        |  |
|  | Mutopo and Jovoto.com.   |  |
| 7.   | It's time for me to  |  |
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| 8.  | , we should buy and own some great stuff.                  |
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| 9.  | [] a little side table stretches out to10.                 |
| 10. | Most of us, maybe all of us, are here pretty happily for a |
|     | with a couple of bags, maybe a small space, a hotel room.  |

# D: After watching: Discussion

What do you think of the idea of editing our lives? Would you like to put Graham's ideas into practice?