

# personal english



## Semantic Field #33

### Furniture



Bookcase



Couch/Sofa



Bed



Night Stand/Table



Wardrobe/Closet



Armchair



Desk



Chair



Cupboard



Dresser

Furniture refers to movable objects intended to support various human activities such as seating (e.g.: **chairs**, **stools**, **armchairs**, and **sofas**), eating (**tables**), and sleeping (**beds**, **hammocks**, etc.). Furniture is also used for holding or storing objects – such is the case with **tables**, **desks**, **cupboards**, **shelves**, **dressers**, and **chests of drawers**. It can be made from a number of materials, including metal, plastic, and wood, and using a variety of woodworking joints which often reflect the local culture. People have been using natural objects, such as tree stumps, rocks and moss, as furniture since the beginning of human civilization. Archaeological research shows that around **30,000 years ago** people began constructing and carving their own furniture, using wood, stone, and animal bones.