

1 Food and cooking

Talk for one minute about what and where you eat.

- Do you think you have a healthy diet? Why (not)?
- Are you trying to cut down on anything at the moment?
- Do you prefer eating out or eating at home? Why?
- What's your favourite dish when you eat out?

2 Family and friends

Describe a member of your family.

- What does he / she look like?
- What is he / she like? (Give two positive and two negative characteristics.)
- In what ways are you similar or different?
- How well do you get on with this person?

3 Money

Tell your partner about your attitude to money.

- Are you careful with money? How?
- Do you usually leave tips in bars, taxis, or restaurants? Why (not)?
- Is there anything you don't like spending money on? Why (not)?
- Do you think credit cards are a good thing? Why (not)?

4 Transport

Talk to your partner about transport in your town.

- What's your favourite form of transport? Why?
- What's the best and worst way to get around your town / city?
- How do you get to the place where you work / study?
- If you could change one thing about transport in your town, what would it be?

5 Sport

Tell your partner about...

- a sport you really like watching or doing.
- a sport you used to do and why you stopped.
- a team you support. How long have you been supporting them? Do you go and see them play?
- the sporting event you most remember.

6 Relationships

Tell your partner about a good friend of yours.

- How long have you known each other?
- How and where did you meet?
- Why do you get on well together?
- Have you ever had a serious argument?
- How often do you see each other?

7 The cinema

Think of a film (but don't say the name). Describe it for your partner to guess.

- Where is it set?
- Is it based on a book?
- Who is it directed by?
- Who is in it?
- What is it about?

8 Your education

Tell your partner about your secondary school (or primary school if you are still at school).

- Did you use to wear a uniform?
- What subjects were you good at / bad at?
- Did you use to have a favourite teacher?
- Were there any teachers you didn't like? Why (not)?

9 Your home

Talk about your home.

- Where do you live?
- How long have you lived there?
- What kind of house or flat is it? Can you describe it?
- What do you like about it and the area where you live? What don't you like?

10 Work

Think of a friend or family member who has a job.

Tell your partner about the good and bad side of his / her job. Talk about...

- the salary
- the hours
- the holidays
- the best and worst thing about the job