

TOPICS DISCUSSION

JOBS and WORK

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What do you do?
2. What job would you love to have? Why?
3. Is it easy or difficult to find a job? Why?
4. What are three jobs with very high salaries? Would you like to have these jobs?
5. What are some very dangerous jobs?
6. Can you think of five kinds of jobs that dogs can have?
7. Is it better to work inside or outside? Why?
8. What should you do if you have a low salary but like your job?
9. Is money the only reason that people have jobs?
10. Which is better: working or doing nothing? Why?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

JOBS and WORK

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What do you do?
2. What job would you hate to have? Why?
3. How can a person find a new job?
4. What are three jobs with very low salaries? Would you like to have these jobs?
5. Should children go to work? Why? / Why not?
6. At what age should people retire from work? Why?
7. What should you do if you have a high salary but don't like your job?
8. What are three very dangerous jobs? Would you like to have these jobs?
9. Is it more fun to be a student or to go to work? Why?
10. Do Superman and Batman have good jobs? Why? / Why not?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

LEARNING ENGLISH

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Why are you learning English?
2. Do you like English tests? Are they fun? Why? / Why not?
3. How long does it take most people to learn a language?
4. Can watching TV help you to learn English? Why? / Why not?
5. How many hours a week do you study English? Is it enough?
6. Is it possible to learn a language in only one year? Why? / Why not?
7. Is English an easy language to learn? Why? / Why not?
8. Would you like to have a job as a translator? Why? / Why not?
9. Can the Internet help you to learn English? If 'yes', how?
10. Do you enjoy learning new things? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

LEARNING ENGLISH

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How often do you study English? Every day?
2. What is the best way to learn a language?
3. How many languages can you speak?
4. What is the best age to start learning a language? Why?
5. Is vocabulary easier to learn than grammar? Why? / Why not?
6. Can reading books and magazines help you to learn English? Why? / Why not?
7. Is homework fun?
8. Are you a good English student? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you know anyone who can speak English very well? If 'yes', who?
10. Do you enjoy learning English? Is it fun? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

MARRIAGE



Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Are you married or single?
2. What are three good things about being single?
3. How can a husband and wife have a long, happy marriage?
4. How much money does it cost to get married?
5. Why do some people get divorced?
6. Do you think most married people are happy? Why? / Why not?
7. Why do people wear wedding rings?
8. Is it okay if a wife is older than her husband? Why? / Why not?
9. How many children do you have? / How many children do you want? Why?
10. How was marriage different 100 years ago?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

MARRIAGE



Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What are three good things about being married?
2. What is the best age to get married? Why?
3. Which is better: a small wedding with few people or a big wedding with lots of people?
4. Which is better: getting married outside in a park or inside a building? Why?
5. How are marriage customs different in different countries?
6. How can someone find a good person to marry?
7. What is a 'honeymoon'? What are some popular places for a honeymoon?
8. Why are some people very nervous about getting married?
9. Why do people get married?
10. How will marriage be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

McDONALD'S

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you ate at McDonald's?
2. What is your favorite food at McDonald's?
3. Why is McDonald's so popular?
4. Would you like to work at McDonald's? Why? / Why not?
5. Have you ever eaten a McDonald's breakfast? Did you like it?
6. Do you think you might eat at McDonald's next week?
7. When did the first McDonald's restaurant open?
8. Compare McDonald's with another fast food restaurant.
9. What are "kids' meals"? How are they different from ordinary McDonald's meals?
10. How was McDonald's different when you were a child?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

McDONALD'S

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How often do you eat at McDonald's?
2. Are there any foods that you don't like at McDonald's? If 'yes', which ones?
3. Does McDonald's serve any healthy food? If 'yes', what kind(s)?
4. Are there many McDonald's restaurants in your town or city?
5. Can you think of seven different kinds of food that McDonald's serves?
6. Why don't some people like McDonald's?
7. Would you like to own the McDonald's restaurant company? Why? / Why not?
8. Is McDonald's better than Burger King? Why? / Why not?
9. How could you improve McDonald's? How could it be better?
10. How will McDonald's be different 100 years in the future?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

MONEY



Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How much money did you spend yesterday?
2. Which is more fun: spending money or saving money? Why?
3. How can people become rich?
4. Should children have a weekly 'allowance'? Why? / Why not? If 'yes', how much?
5. When did people first begin to use money?
6. Would you like to work in a bank? Why? / Why not?
7. Do you have any credit cards? Why? / Why not?
8. What does the paper money from your country look like? Can you describe it?
9. Can a person be poor but still be happy?
10. How do you feel when you have lots of money?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

MONEY



Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What did you buy yesterday?
2. What is the most expensive thing you ever bought?
3. Do you want to become rich? Why? / Why not?
4. What are you going to buy tomorrow?
5. What did people do before money was invented?
6. Would you like to be a bank robber? Why? / Why not?
7. Are credit cards better than money? Why? / Why not?
8. What do the coins from your country look like? Can you describe them?
9. Can a person be rich but not be happy?
10. Is money the most important thing in life? Why? / Why not?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

MUSIC

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you know how to play any musical instruments? If 'yes', what kind?
2. Do you like rock music? Why? / Why not?
3. Do you ever go to music concerts? Why? / Why not?
4. Who is your favorite singer?
5. Is listening to music better than watching TV? Why? / Why not?
6. When was the last time you listened to music?
7. Which is better: the guitar or the piano? Why?
8. Do you like country music? Why? / Why not?
9. Can any animals or birds make music? If 'yes', which one(s)?
10. How would our world be different without music?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

MUSIC

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Can you sing well?
2. Do you like classical music? Why? / Why not?
3. When was the last time you went to a music concert?
4. What is your favorite kind of music?
5. Do you ever sing when you take a shower? Why? / Why not?
6. When was the last time you sang a song?
7. Do have a favorite band? If 'yes', what is the name of the band?
8. Why do people listen to music?
9. Do you like pop music?
10. Should all children learn how to play musical instruments? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

PLACES around TOWN

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. About how many people live in your town or city?
2. What is your favorite park? Why do you like it? Where is it located?
3. What is your favorite place to go shopping? Why do you like it? Where is it located?
4. What are three good things about your town or city?
5. Who is the mayor of your town or city?
6. Do you prefer living in a small town or a big city? Why?
7. Describe the area around your school or college.
8. Do many tourists visit your town or city? Why? / Why not?
9. Compare your town or city with another town or city in your country.
10. How was your town or city different 100 years ago?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

PLACES around TOWN

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. About how old is your town or city?
2. What is your favorite movie theater? Why do you like it? Where is it located?
3. What is your favorite restaurant? Why do you like it? Where is it located?
4. What are three bad things about your town or city?
5. Would you like to be the mayor of your town or city? Why? / Why not?
6. Does the name of your town or city have a special meaning? What?
7. Is it better to live downtown or in the suburbs? Why?
8. Where is the most famous place in your town or city?
9. What are some fun things to do in your town or city?
10. How will your town or city be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

PLANET EARTH

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What is a planet?
2. How old do you think earth is?
3. How many 'continents' are there? Do you know their names?
4. Why are the north and south 'poles' so cold?
5. Where can you find 'deserts'?
6. What is 'global warming' and can we stop it? If 'yes', how?
7. Would you like to live on the top of a high mountain? Why? / Why not?
8. What is the 'equator'? Do you live north or south of the equator?
9. What is the 'environment' and how can we protect it?
10. How was our planet different 100 years ago?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

PLANET EARTH

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How is our earth different from other planets?
2. How many countries are there?
3. How many 'oceans' are there? Do you know their names?
4. What is 'geography'? Do you like to study geography? Why? / Why not?
5. Where can you find 'rain forests'?
6. About how many people live on our planet?
7. Would you like to live on a small island? Why? / Why not?
8. What is an 'earthquake'? Have you ever experienced an earthquake? If 'yes', when?
9. What countries do you want to visit? Why?
10. How will our planet be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

READING

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Did you read yesterday? Why? / Why not?
2. How often do you read a magazine? Why?
3. Which is better: reading on-line or reading things on paper?
4. What is the best age for children to learn how to read?
5. When did people first begin to read?
6. Do you ever go to a library to read? Why? / Why not?
7. Is reading good or bad for your eyes?
8. Can reading make you become a smarter person?
9. Is knowing how to read important or is it a waste of time?
10. Tell me about an interesting book you read before.

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TOPICS DISCUSSION

READING

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Did you read today? Why? / Why not?
2. How often do you read a novel?
3. Do you enjoy reading? Why? / Why not?
4. Is it easy to learn to read in another language? Why? / Why not?
5. What did people do before reading was invented?
6. Which is better: reading or watching TV? Why?
7. Do you like to go to book stores? Why? / Why not?
8. How often do you read books or magazines (in print or on-line) in English?
9. What are some things you can do to become a better reader?
10. What do you want to read soon?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

SHOPPING

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you went shopping? What did you buy? Why?
2. Do you enjoy shopping? Why? / Why not?
3. How often do you go shopping?
4. Do you ever spend too much money when you go shopping? Why? / Why not?
5. Where is your favorite place to go shopping for groceries? Why do you like it?
6. Are you saving your money to buy something expensive (for example, a TV or a car)?
7. Is it a good idea for stores to open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week? Why? / Why not?
8. In your family, who usually goes shopping the most often? Why?
9. How can you save money (spend less) when you go shopping?
10. What is the worst thing you ever bought? Why was it so bad?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

SHOPPING

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Are you going to buy anything after class? What?
2. Where is your favorite place to go shopping for clothes? Why do you like it?
3. Is it better to use cash or a credit card? Why?
4. Tell me about something you bought that was very expensive.
5. Why do many people enjoy window shopping?
6. Which stores or shopping malls do you dislike in your town or city? Why?
7. Would you like to work in a store? Why? / Why not?
8. In your classroom, who usually goes shopping the most often? (guess)
9. Do you prefer to shop alone or with another person? Who? Why?
10. What is the best thing you ever bought? Why was it so good?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

SLEEP

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What time did you go to bed last night? What time did you get up?
2. Do you enjoy sleeping? Why? / Why not?
3. How often do you take a nap?
4. Do you ever sleep too much? Why? / Why not?
5. Do you ever listen to soft music to help you fall asleep? Why? / Why not?
6. Do you ever go to bed before nine o'clock? Why? / Why not?
7. Is it ever a good idea to stay awake for 48 hours? Why? / Why not?
8. Why do children need more sleep than adults?
9. How often do you have nightmares (bad dreams)?
10. Do you ever have trouble falling asleep? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

SLEEP

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How many hours of sleep do you need each night?
2. Do you enjoy waking up in the morning? Why? / Why not?
3. Do you ever fall asleep in your English class? Why? / Why not?
4. Do you ever snore?
5. Do you ever read at bedtime to help you fall asleep? Why? / Why not?
6. Do you ever go to bed after midnight? Why? / Why not?
7. How many hours a night should most people sleep?
8. In your classroom, who is usually the most tired? (guess)
9. Tell me about a dream that you had.
10. Which is better: being awake or being asleep? Why?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

SMOKING

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you smoke? Why? / Why not?
2. Why do people start smoking?
3. Are people allowed to smoke at your school or work place? Why? / Why not?
4. Are there warnings on cigarette packs in your country? Do they stop people smoking?
5. Should the government ban smoking in your country? Why? / Why not?
6. Why is it so difficult to quit smoking?
7. Should parents be allowed to smoke near their children? Why? / Why not?
8. Do you think smoking looks "cool"?
9. Can you see cigarette commercials (advertisements) on TV? Why? / Why not?
10. Are you addicted to anything (like TV, the Internet, coffee ...)? What?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

SMOKING

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you smoke? Why? / Why not?
2. At what age do many people start to smoke?
3. Do you know any smokers? Who?
4. What kinds of health problems can smoking cause?
5. Should schools do more to teach about the dangers of smoking? Why? / Why not?
6. How can a smoker quit smoking?
7. Is it safer to smoke pipes than cigarettes? Why? / Why not?
8. Should smokers be allowed to throw cigarette butts on the ground? Why? / Why not?
9. Is smoking expensive? How much does a pack of cigarettes cost?
10. Are you addicted to anything? (like TV, the Internet, coffee ...) What?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

SPACE



Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How many planets are there in our solar system?
2. Is traveling in space safe or dangerous? Why? / Why not?
3. Compare the earth and the sun.
4. Do you think there is life on other planets? Why? / Why not?
5. Have you ever looked through a telescope? If 'yes', when? What did you see?
6. Would you like to live on the moon? Why? / Why not?
7. Why did people first travel to the moon in 1969?
8. Do you like to watch movies about space? Why? / Why not?
9. What are three good things about space travel?
10. Should students learn more about space in school? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

SPACE



Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you know any of the English names of our planets? Which ones?
2. Would you like to be an astronaut? Why? / Why not?
3. Compare the earth and the moon.
4. Do you believe in UFOs? Why? / Why not?
5. Why is the moon sometimes bright, and sometimes dark?
6. Would you like to live on Mars? Why? / Why not?
7. Should people go back to the moon? Why? / Why not?
8. Do you like to read about space? Why? / Why not?
9. What are three bad things about space travel?
10. Should the government spend more money to explore space? Why? / Why not?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

TRAVEL

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What countries have you travelled to?
2. Tell me about a bad travel experience you had.
3. Why do people like to travel?
4. Is it better to travel by plane or by train? Why?
5. What three countries would you like to travel to? Why?
6. Is it better to travel inside your country or outside your country? Why?
7. How can you travel, but not spend too much money?
8. Do you enjoy travelling? Why? / Why not?
9. What are some great places to visit in your country?
10. Tell me about an interesting travel photo that you took, or that you have.



TOPICS DISCUSSION

TRAVEL

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What cities have you travelled to?
2. Tell me about a funny or strange travel experience you had.
3. Why do some people NOT like to travel?
4. Is it better to travel by yourself, or with other people? Why?
5. What are five important things to bring with you when you travel to another country?
6. Do you like staying at hotels? Why? / Why not?
7. What can you learn by travelling to other countries?
8. Do you plan to travel soon? If yes, where to?
9. What are some great places to visit in your city?
10. Tell me about some interesting souvenirs that you have.

TOPICS DISCUSSION

YOUTUBE

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How often do you watch YouTube?
2. Which is better: YouTube or TV? Why?
3. Why do some YouTube videos 'go viral' (become very popular)?
4. Is watching YouTube a good way to spend your free time? Why? / Why not?
5. How did people spend their free time before the Internet?
6. How can people make money by uploading YouTube videos?
7. Do you ever write 'comments' under YouTube videos? Why? / Why not?
8. YouTube or Facebook: which is better? Why?
9. Do you think YouTube will replace TV in the future? Why? / Why not?
10. Are you going to watch YouTube later today? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

YOUTUBE

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you watched YouTube?
2. Have you ever uploaded a video to YouTube? If 'yes', what was the video about?
3. Do you 'subscribe' to any YouTube channels? If 'yes', which one(s)?
4. At what age should children start to watch YouTube?
5. How old is YouTube?
6. Can watching YouTube improve your English?
7. When was the last time you 'disliked' a YouTube video?
8. Which is better: watching YouTube or reading a book? Why?
9. How has YouTube changed our modern society?
10. Talk about an interesting YouTube video you have watched.



TOPICS DISCUSSION

ZOO



Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Have you ever been to a zoo? If 'yes', talk about it. If 'no', why not?
2. What kinds of animals can you see in zoos?
3. Would you like to work in a zoo? Why? / Why not?
4. Are zoos dangerous?
5. What is your favorite kind of zoo animal?
6. What do elephants eat?
7. Do you plan to visit a zoo soon? Why? / Why not?
8. Do you think animals are happy to live in zoo?
9. Why do people keep animals in zoos? Why? / Why not?
10. What are some good things about zoos?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

ZOO



Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Is there a zoos in your town or city? If 'yes', where?
2. What kinds of people can you see visiting zoos?
3. Do you think animals like to live in zoos? Why? / Why not?
4. Would you like to live next to a zoo? Why? / Why not?
5. Should people put cats and dogs in zoos? Why? / Why not?
6. Most zoos sell tickets to visitors. Is this a good idea, or should zoos be free?
7. Do you think a dinosaur zoo is a good idea? Why? / Why not?
8. What can zoos do to make their animals feel happier?
9. Why do people visit zoos?
10. What are some bad things about zoos?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

AIR TRAVEL

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you like to travel by air? Why? / Why not?
2. Which do you prefer: a window seat or an aisle seat? Why?
3. When was the last time you travelled by air? Where did you fly to?
4. Would you like to be a pilot? Why? / Why not?
5. What do you hate most about flying? Why?
6. Compare business class and economy class.
7. Do you think air travel is safe? Why? / Why not?
8. Talk about the nearest airport where you live. Is it a good airport? Why? / Why not?
9. How are airplanes today different from airplanes sixty years ago?
10. How will airplanes be different in another 100 years?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

AIR TRAVEL

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you travelled by air? Where did you travel to?
2. Do you think air travel is safe? Why? / Why not?
3. How old were you the first time you travelled by air? Where did you fly to?
4. Would you like to be a flight attendant? Why? / Why not?
5. What do you enjoy most about flying? Why?
6. Compare travelling by plane and by train. How are they similar? / different?
7. Talk about an interesting experience you had while travelling on a plane.
8. What do you know about the first airplane that was invented?
9. Imagine there are no airplanes. How would our lives be different?
10. Where would you like to fly to next? Why?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

APARTMENTS & HOUSES

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you live in an apartment or a house? Do you like it? Why? / Why not?
2. What is your favorite room in your home? Why?
3. What is a good color for a house? Why?
4. Is it a good idea to live in an apartment on the 37th floor? Why? / Why not?
5. Is it better to live *downtown* or in a *suburb*? Why?
6. Describe your living room.
7. Do you want to move to another apartment / house? Why? / Why not?
8. Would you like to live on a boat? Why? / Why not?
9. How long does it take you to go home after class? Is it too far away?
10. What kind of strange or unusual house do you know about?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

APARTMENTS & HOUSES

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you live in an apartment or a house? Do you like it? Why? / Why not?
2. Which room don't you like in your home? Why don't you like it?
3. Is it better to rent a home or to buy a home? Why?
4. What kinds of animals make their own homes?
5. How much does it cost to buy a home in your country? Is it too expensive?
6. Describe your kitchen.
7. How many apartments or houses have you lived in?
8. What should you do if you have a noisy neighbor?
9. Do you like the location of your apartment or house? Why? / Why not?
10. Describe your perfect "dream home".

TOPICS DISCUSSION

AUSTRALIA

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How many Australian cities do you know?
2. About how many people live in Australia?
3. What is the climate like in Australia?
4. Describe some Australian animals.
5. How many states are there in Australia?
6. What do you think Australians like to do in their free time?
7. How are Australia and New Zealand similar?
8. Which sports are most popular in Australia?
9. Do you think Australia is a good place to live? Why? / Why not?
10. When did Australia become a country?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

AUSTRALIA

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Which place(s) would you most like to visit in Australia?
2. Which countries are closest to Australia?
3. Do you know about any famous Australian people? Who?
4. Is Australia a safe place to visit? Why? / Why not?
5. What do you know about Tasmania?
6. Describe the national flag of Australia. What does it look like?
7. How are Australia and New Zealand different?
8. Who is the prime minister of Australia?
9. What is the 'outback'? What do you know about it?
10. How will Australia be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

BABIES

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Have you ever watched a movie or TV show about babies? If 'yes', talk about it.
2. Do you like spending time with babies? Why? / Why not?
3. Are there any babies in your family?
4. Do you know anyone who had a baby last year? If 'yes', who?
5. How can you make a baby laugh?
6. Can you remember the time when you were a baby?
7. Why do babies cry?
8. When do babies stop being babies and become children?
9. At what age do most babies learn how to walk? How do they learn?
10. What are some good things about babies? What are some bad things?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

BABIES

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What do babies look like?
2. What do you think babies enjoy doing in their free time?
3. When was the last time you saw a baby?
4. What are some popular names for babies nowadays?
5. Can babies learn more than one language?
6. What is the earliest memory in your life?
7. Should there be TV programs for babies? Why? / Why not?
8. Should people have more babies? Why? / Why not?
9. At what age do babies learn how to speak? How do they learn?
10. What is the best age to start having babies? Why?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

BUGS and INSECTS

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you think bugs and insects are interesting? Why? / Why not?
2. When was the last time you saw a bug or insect? Where did you see it?
3. Have you ever been stung by a bee? If 'yes', when and where?
4. How many legs does an insect have?
5. Are there any bugs or insects that you are afraid of? If 'yes', why?
6. What do butterflies look like?
7. Can bugs and insects communicate with each other? If 'yes', how?
8. Have you ever seen a cockroach? Why don't people like them?
9. Are there any bugs or insects that are beautiful? If 'yes', which one(s)?
10. Do you know any interesting facts about bugs and insects?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

BUGS and INSECTS

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What kinds of bugs and insects are dangerous?
2. What is the strangest bug or insect you have seen? Where did you see it?
3. How do bugs and insects help people?
4. What do spiders catch insects?
5. Why are bugs and insects so small?
6. What do centipedes look like?
7. What do bugs and insects like to do in their free time?
8. Why don't people like mosquitos?
9. How many legs does a spider have? How many eyes does it have?
10. Do you know any interesting stories about bugs or insects?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

BUSINESS



Student 'A'

● *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you work for a business? Why? / Why not?
2. Where is the nearest business to your school or office?
3. What is advertising? Why is it so important?
4. Is it easy to make money by starting your own business? Why? / Why not?
5. What is a 'profit'? How can businesses make a profit?
6. What are some examples of large, international businesses?
7. Is a restaurant business a good way to make money? Why? / Why not?
8. Describe what a good boss does.
9. Why is the location of a business so important?
10. Students should study business in high school. Do you agree or disagree? Why?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

BUSINESS



Student 'B'

● *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you have your own business? Why? / Why not?
2. Do you know anyone who has their own business? If 'yes', who?
3. Talk about an interesting TV commercial.
4. What's an 'e-business'? Is it a good way to make money? Why? / Why not?
5. What is a 'business card'? Do you have one? Why? / Why not?
6. Compare big businesses and small businesses.
7. What should you study in school if you want to start your own business?
8. What is a 'factory'? Would you like to work in a factory? Why? / Why not?
9. Why do business people wear suits? Do you like wearing them? Why? / Why not?
10. It is better to be a boss than an employee. Do you agree or disagree? Why?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

CAMPING

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you like camping? Why? / Why not?
2. Where is the best place to go camping that you know about?
3. Why do people like to go camping?
4. Is nature important? Why? / Why not?
5. Are there many mosquitos where you live?
6. What is the best month to go camping where you live? Why?
7. Talk about the last time you went camping.
8. Is camping a safe activity? Why? / Why not?
9. What can you do if you get lost when you go camping?
10. What kind of wildlife can you see in your country?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CAMPING

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you went camping? Where did you go?
2. Talk about a bad camping experience that you had. What happened?
3. Why don't some people like to go camping?
4. Do you like to go hiking? Why? / Why not?
5. Do you know how to make a camp fire?
6. What did people do before there was bug spray? How did they keep mosquitos away?
7. Do you own a tent? If 'yes', what kind? If 'no', do you want one? Why? / Why not?
8. What kinds of dangerous animals are there where you go camping?
9. What are the three most important things to bring with you when you go camping?
10. Do you plan to go camping soon? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CANADA

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Where is Canada located?
2. Compare Canada and the United States.
3. Is Canada a safe place to visit? Why? / Why not?
4. Describe the national flag of Canada. What does it look like?
5. Talk about some famous Canadians.
6. Which place(s) in Canada would you like to visit? Why?
7. Describe some Canadian wildlife.
8. What do you know about Canadian politics?
9. How many provinces are there in Canada?
10. How old is Canada? When is 'Canada Day'?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CANADA

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How is Canada different from most other countries?
2. Compare Canada and the United Kingdom.
3. Describe what the winters are like in Canada.
4. What do you think Canadians like to do in their free time?
5. What are the 2 official languages of Canada? Can you speak both these languages?
6. Which sports are most popular in Canada? Do you like these sports?
7. Do you think Canada is a good place to live? Why? / Why not?
8. Who is the Prime Minister of Canada?
9. What do you know about the different provinces of Canada?
10. How will Canada be different 100 years in the future?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CATS

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you have a cat? Why? / Why not?
2. When was the last time you saw a cat?
3. Have you ever been bitten or scratched by a cat? If 'yes', when and where?
4. Compare cats and dogs.
5. What are some popular names for cats?
6. Why do cats have whiskers?
7. What do cats think about?
8. About how many hours a day do most cats sleep?
9. Where can you find a cat if you want to have one as a pet?
10. Cats are better pets than dogs. Do you agree or disagree? Why?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CATS

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Why do so many people have pet cats?
2. Do you think cats are cute? Why? / Why not?
3. Why do cats purr?
4. Compare lions and cats.
5. Do you know anyone who is afraid of cats? If 'yes', who?
6. What do most cats like to eat?
7. What do cats like to do in their free time?
8. Do you think cats are intelligent? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you know any interesting stories about cats?
10. Should landlords allow tenants to have cats in their apartments? Why? / Why not?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

CLOTHING & FASHION



Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Talk about the clothes you are wearing today. Do you like them? Why? / Why not?
2. Do you like to watch fashion shows on TV? Why? / Why not?
3. Where is your favorite place to go shopping for clothes?
4. People wear clothes for many reasons. What are some of these reasons?
5. Would you like to own your own clothing store? Why? / Why not?
6. Do you spend a lot of money on clothes? Why? / Why not?
7. Are you going to go shopping for clothes soon? If 'yes', where, when and why?
8. What kinds of clothes do teenagers like to wear in your country?
9. Do you ever wear jewelry? Why? / Why not?
10. How were clothes different 100 years ago?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

CLOTHING & FASHION



Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Talk about the clothes you wore yesterday. Do you like them? Why? / Why not?
2. Do you like to go shopping for new clothes? Why? / Why not?
3. Compare clothes in your country with clothes in another country.
4. Why do men wear neckties? Are they a good idea? Why? / Why not?
5. Do you think animals look cute when they wear clothes? Why? / Why not?
6. Do you like to wear T-shirts? Why? / Why not?
7. What are some of your favorite brands of clothing?
8. Do you ever buy fashion magazines? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you ever wear hats? Why? / Why not?
10. How will clothes be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

COMPUTERS

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. About how many hours are you on-line each day?
2. What are the advantages of using computers in school?
3. When was the computer invented?
4. Do you think you could stop using a computer for one week? Why? / Why not?
5. At what age should children learn how to use a computer?
6. Is it okay to check your Facebook account at work? Why? / Why not?
7. When was the first time you used a computer?
8. Do you like to watch movies on-line? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you think on-line video games are too violent? Why? / Why not?
10. What are three really bad things about computers?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

COMPUTERS

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What is your favorite Internet site? Why?
2. What are the disadvantages of using computers in school?
3. How will computers change our world in the future?
4. Do you think you spend too much time on-line each day?
5. What is a computer virus? Did your computer ever have one?
6. When was the last time you used a computer?
7. How can you make money from the Internet?
8. Do you like to read books on-line? Why? / Why not?
9. What is your favorite on-line video game? Describe it.
10. What are three really good things about computers?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

COUNTRIES

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How many countries are there in the world?
2. Can you think of five very big countries?
3. Can you think of five very hot countries?
4. Compare Iceland and Mexico.
5. Why are there countries?
6. What countries have you travelled to? Talk about your **best** travel experiences.
7. Can you think of five very old countries?
8. How many countries can you think of that begin with the letter 'A'? – there are 11!
9. What are three good things about your country?
10. How was your country different 100 years ago?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

COUNTRIES

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Can you think of three countries that are very close to your country?
2. Can you think of five very small countries?
3. Can you think of five very cold countries?
4. Compare your country and another country.
5. Would the world be a better place with no countries – only one 'world' country?
6. What countries have you travelled to? Talk about your **worst** travel experiences.
7. Can you think of five very new countries?
8. How many countries can you think of that begin with the letter 'B'? – there are 17!
9. What are three bad things about your country?
10. How will your country be different 100 years in the future?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What time do you usually go to bed at night? Should you go to bed earlier?
2. What do you often eat for breakfast? Do you think it's healthy food?
3. What time do you arrive at school or work? Are you ever late?
4. What time do you eat lunch? Do you eat alone or with other people?
5. What time do you get home after school or work? Are you tired when you get home?
6. What's your favorite TV show? Why do you like it?
7. How much time do you spend on-line each day? Is it too much?
8. What time do you usually eat dinner?
9. What hobbies do you have? What's your favorite hobby?
10. How do you like to relax in the evenings?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What time do you usually get up in the morning?
2. What do you often eat for lunch?
3. How do you travel to school or work (bus, taxi, ...)?
4. Where do you eat lunch? What do you usually eat for lunch?
5. What do you like to do after school or work?
6. How many hours of TV do you usually watch each day? Is it too much?
7. What's your favorite website? Why do you like it?
8. Can you cook? How often do you cook dinner?
9. Tell me about your best friend. How often do you see him / her?
10. What time do you go to bed at night? Do you think you should go to bed earlier?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

DINOSAURS

Student 'A'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What were dinosaurs?
2. Tyrannosaurus Rex was one kind of dinosaur. What other kinds were there?
3. Do you think there are any dinosaurs alive today? Why? / Why not?
4. What is a 'fossil'?
5. Do you think some dinosaurs were friendly? Why? / Why not?
6. Why do you think so many people are interested in dinosaurs?
7. What did dinosaurs eat?
8. Could some dinosaurs fly or swim?
9. Are there any animals alive today that are bigger than dinosaurs?
10. What colors do you think dinosaurs were? Were they all green?

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TOPICS DISCUSSION

DINOSAURS

Student 'B'



- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When did dinosaurs become 'extinct'? How did they become extinct?
2. Do you like to watch movies about dinosaurs? Why? / Why not?
3. Should scientists try to use DNA to make live dinosaurs? Why? / Why not?
4. Do you like to look at dinosaur fossils in museums? Why? / Why not?
5. Do you think some dinosaurs were smart? Why? / Why not?
6. How were dinosaurs different from most animals we see today?
7. What did dinosaurs probably do in their free time?
8. How would you feel if you saw a living dinosaur?
9. What noises did dinosaurs probably make?
10. Can dinosaurs teach us anything about life on earth today? If 'yes', what?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

DRIVING

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you know how to drive? If 'yes', when did you get your license?
2. Do you always use a seatbelt? Why? / Why not?
3. When was the car invented?
4. Would you like to be a race car driver? Why? / Why not?
5. Compare driving to work or school and taking a bus.
6. Are you going to drive home after class?
7. Do you think cars are a safe way to travel? Why? / Why not?
8. How will cars be different 100 years in the future?
9. What is the best age to learn how to drive?
10. What are three really bad things about cars?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

DRIVING

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you think driving is fun? Why? / Why not?
2. Are women better drivers than men? Why? / Why not?
3. How was the world different before cars were invented?
4. What is your favorite kind of car? Describe it.
5. Compare driving and riding a motorcycle.
6. When was the last time you were in a car? Were you a passenger or a driver?
7. What is a 'traffic jam'? What causes traffic jams?
8. Do you think robotic 'self-driving' cars are a good idea? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you think the driving age should be lowered? Why? / Why not?
10. What are three really good things about cars?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

ENGLISH EXAMS

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. Do you like English exams? Why? / Why not?
2. When was the last time you had an English exam?
3. What was the highest grade you ever got on an English exam?
4. How many hours do you usually study to prepare for an English exam?
5. Why do teachers give exams?
6. What are some three ways to get higher grades on English exams?
7. Are vocabulary exams easier than grammar exams? Why? / Why not?
8. Is it a good idea to cheat on exams? Why? / Why not?
9. What can you do to relax before an exam, and not feel too nervous?
10. Have you ever taken the TOEFL exam? If 'yes', when?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

ENGLISH EXAMS

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How do English exams usually make you feel?
2. When are you going to have your next English exam?
3. Have you ever failed an English exam? Why? / Why not?
4. Where do you like to study (outside of class) to prepare for an English exam?
5. Do you think exams help you to improve your English? Why? / Why not?
6. What are some three ways to get lower grades on English exams?
7. Are reading exams easier than writing exams? Why? / Why not?
8. Is it a good idea to help someone cheat on exams? Why? / Why not?
9. What can you do to improve your brain power?
10. Have you ever taken the IELTS exam? If 'yes', when?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

EXERCISE and SPORTS



Student 'A'

- Discuss the questions below with your partner.

1. What is your favorite kind of exercise?
2. How much exercise do you get each week? Do you think you get enough exercise?
3. What are some examples of 'winter sports' that you can play in the snow or on ice?
4. Should schools give more time to students to play sports? Why? / Why not?
5. What are three examples of *team sports*? *Individual sports* (sports you play alone)?
6. What strange or unusual sports do you know about?
7. Do you know how to swim? Is a pool or a beach the best place to swim? Why?
8. What sports do you think are really boring?
9. Should older people stop exercising? Why? / Why not?
10. Did you do any exercise or play any sports yesterday? If 'yes', what kind?

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TOPICS DISCUSSION

EXERCISE and SPORTS



Student 'B'

- Discuss the questions below with your partner.

1. What kind of exercise do you hate? Why don't you like it?
2. Do you like to watch sports on TV? Why? / Why not?
3. Would you like to be a *professional athlete* (play sports as a job)? Why? / Why not?
4. What sport are you best at?
5. Do you prefer *team sports* or *individual sports*? Why?
6. What are the most popular sports in the world? Why are they so popular?
7. What is the best age for children to learn how to swim? Why?
8. Is lifting heavy weights a good way to get strong and healthy? Why? / Why not?
9. Baseball or football? Which is better? Why?
10. Are you going to do any exercise or play any sports tomorrow? If 'yes', what kind?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

FOOD and DRINKS

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What do you usually eat for breakfast?
2. What's your favorite food? How often do you eat it?
3. What kinds of food do you know how to cook? Are you a good cook?
4. Give some examples of "healthy food". Do you think you eat enough healthy food?
5. What do you want to eat after class?
6. What's the name of your favorite restaurant? Describe it.
7. What is the strangest food you have ever eaten?
8. Would you like to be a farmer and grow food? Why? / Why not?
9. How was food different 100 years ago?
10. Do you think tea and coffee are good for you? Why? / Why not?

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TOPICS DISCUSSION

FOOD and DRINKS

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What do you usually eat for lunch?
2. What's your favorite drink? How often do you drink it?
3. Do you like shopping at supermarkets? Why? / Why not?
4. Give some examples of "junk food". What's your favorite junk food?
5. What do you want to drink after class?
6. Are you hungry now? Why? / Why not?
7. What are some famous foods in your country? Do you like them? Describe them.
8. Would you like to work in a restaurant? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you like spicy food? Why? / Why not?
10. How can you get children to eat less candy and more healthy food?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

HEALTH & MEDICINE

Student 'A'



● *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How can the kind of food you eat keep you healthy?
2. How often do you catch a cold?
3. Is there a hospital near your school or near your home?
4. Would you like to be a doctor? Why? / Why not?
5. Do you ever take vitamin pills (like vitamin C) to stay healthy? Why? Why not?
6. Are you afraid of hospital needles? Why? / Why not?
7. Do you think you get enough exercise?
8. Do you spend much time thinking about how to stay healthy? Why? / Why not?
9. Do you think happy people live longer?
10. Are most people healthier today than 100 years ago? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

HEALTH & MEDICINE

Student 'B'



● *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. How can exercise keep you healthy?
2. Have you ever broken a bone? If 'yes', what happened?
3. How do you usually feel when you see a doctor? Why?
4. Why is smoking bad for you?
5. Is going to bed early important for good health? Why? / Why not?
6. What are 'germs'? What can you do to avoid (stay away from) them?
7. Do you think you eat enough healthy food?
8. How can spending lots of time online or in front of a TV affect your health?
9. Do you think you have a healthy lifestyle?
10. Do you want to live to be over 100 years old? Why? / Why not?

TOPICS DISCUSSION

HOTELS

Student 'A'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. When was the last time you stayed at a hotel?
2. Would you like to work at a hotel? Why? / Why not?
3. What are three good things about hotels?
4. Do you like to stay at hotels? Why? / Why not?
5. Talk about a good experience you had at a hotel.
6. What is 'room service'? Have you ever ordered room service?
7. Compare 2-star hotels and 4-star hotels.
8. Do you know about any strange or unusual hotels?
9. What is a porter (bell-hop)?
10. What is an 'airport hotel'? Have you ever stayed at one? Why? / Why not?



TOPICS DISCUSSION

HOTELS

Student 'B'

- *Discuss the questions below with your partner.*

1. What is your favorite hotel? Why?
2. Would you like to own a hotel? Why? / Why not?
3. What are three bad things about hotels?
4. What hotel do you like best? Why?
5. Talk about a bad experience you had at a hotel.
6. When do many hotels allow their guests to check-in?
7. Are there many hotels in your town or city?
8. What did people do before hotels were invented?
9. Do you plan to stay at a hotel soon?
10. What is a 'motel'? Have you ever stayed at one? Why? / Why not?

