

- How long have you been studying English?
- What do you enjoy most about learning English?
- Why is English important in your life?
- How do you like to spend your free time?
- What would your ideal job be?
- Are you the kind of person who can do two things at once?
- Are you planning to do any courses in the near future?
- Do you use social networking sites a lot?
- Would you enjoy preparing food for a large number of people?
- Do you like to give yourself targets or goals?
- If you won the lottery what would you do?

Talking about where you're from

I'm Valencian born and bred

I'm Valencian through and through

I was born in....., but I moved to for work/school/family etc

The Future

- With any luck, I will probably...
- I have a burning ambition to...
- I haven't made up my mind yet but I'm leaning towards studying...
- I'm torn between studying... and
- In all likelihood I'll study.../work in...
- I see myself working in the field of...

Likes/Dislikes

- I'm keen on / fond of [**+ noun / gerund**]
 - I'm keen on swimming
 - I'm fond of **sport** in general.
- I'm a keen / avid + noun [**person**]
 - I'm a keen swimmer.
 - I'm an avid guitarist.
- I'm a bit of a risk taker / adrenalin junky / daredevil, so I ...
- I like to recharge my batteries at the weekend, so I

English/Education

- English is a requirement of my course / job.
- If you want to get ahead in life you need English.
- I've been studying English for ages.
- I've been studying English for as long as I can remember.
- English is an essential / key part of my everyday life.

- What different methods of shopping do the photos show?
- Why might people choose one method rather than another?



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Now I'd like you to talk about something together for about two minutes. Here are some different ways of finding a first job and a question for you to discuss. First you have some time to look at the task.

(After 15 seconds) Now talk to each other about how effective these ways of finding a first job might be.



Useful language

Introducing your opinion and giving a reason

Well, in my opinion ... because ...

I think/feel ...

I'm not sure. I think ...

From my point of view...

I tend to think ...

I would argue that ...

Presenting other people's arguments

Some people say that ...

It is sometimes/often said that ...

It can be argued that ...

One argument often made is that ...

Presenting the other point of view

Having said that, I believe ...

On the other hand, I would argue that ...

However, I'm not sure I agree. I tend to think that ...

Giving reasons and examples

One reason why ...

For this reason, ...

For example, ...

For instance, ...

such as ...

Work through one or more of these typical questions (related to the topic of Part 3) with a partner. Make sure you each speak for approximately the same length of time.

- Some people say that in the future traditional jobs, where you work for an organisation, will disappear and be replaced by short-term jobs, where you deal with a particular task. What's your opinion?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of working part-time instead of full-time?
- How far do you agree with the idea that people should change jobs and careers at regular intervals throughout their working lives?
- What can be done to protect people's jobs in times of great economic change?
- How has the Internet changed the way people work?
- Many people prefer a well-paid job to an interesting job. What's your view?

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