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Do you like eating? What is your favourite food? Is there anything you never eat? Why?

Do you eat regularly? Do you ever leave out breakfast. If yes, why? Who cooks in your family? Do YOU ever cook? What can you cook? Can you tell us the recipe?

Do you eat in the school canteen? Do you like it? If you could, would you change anything?

Do you think you eat healthily? What unhealthy food you eat? Is there anything you should cut down on?

What do you eat in a typical day?

Do you think that vegetarians eat more healthily?

When did you last eat? What was it?

Do you often eat out? What is your favourite reastaurant? What do you usually order?

Do you or your parents follow any cooking programmes on TV? Why are they so popular these days?

Would you like to be a cook? Why (not )? Would you say your national cuisine is healthy? Why(not)?

What does 'a healthy diet' mean ?

Do you like fast food reastaurants? What do you usually order?

People often say that men are better cooks. Do you agree?

There are more and more chefs becoming TV stars. Do you know any of them?

When did you last eat abroad? What? When and where?

Can you give examples of at least seven national dishes or drinks? Have you tried any of them?

What meal would you recommend a foreigner visiting your country ?

Do you know any eating disorders? What do you know about them?



## Let's talk about SCHOOL



#### Conversation cards

What school do you go to? Where is it? How do you get there?

What's your favourite subject? Why do you like it?

What time do you get up on a school day? Who wakes you up?

What time does school start? When does it finish? Are there any breaks?

Is your school far from your home? How long does it take you to get to school?

What time do you go to bed on the eve of a school day? Do you ever stay up late?

Where is your school located? Is it easy to get there?

How many students are there in your school? How many in your class? What classes don't you like? Why not?

Have you ever been late for class? If so, why? Was the teacher angry?

What do you do during breaks? Talk about it.

Where do you have lunch? What do you usually eat for

Have you ever fallen asleep in class? If so, why? Explain.

Have you ever been punished at school? Why? What was the punishment?

What subjects are you good at? What subjects are difficult for you?

Do you ever skip class? If so, what do you do?

Give examples of school rules. Have you ever broken any? (e.g. you must wear a uniform; you mustn't eat in the classroom)

What do you like best about your school? Explain.







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# Let's talk about **EDUCATION**



#### Conversation cards

Where do (did) you go to school? Do you think it is (was) a good school? Explain.

Do you plan to go to university? (or: Did you go to university?) What will (did) you study?

What is (was) your favourite subject? Why do (did) you like it?

What are the qualities of a good teacher? A good student? (e.g. A good teacher is patient.) (e.g. A good student is hard-working.)

Once you graduate, should you stop learning? Explain. How can you continue to learn? Which are the best schools and universities in your country? Explain.

How much homework or papers do students need to do? How much free time do they have?

Is studying expensive in your country? What are the costs? Do research and compare.

Do you think it is easier to learn as a child or as an adult? Explain your view.

Does education guarantee a good job? Brainstorm and discuss.

Which languages are taught in school? Is it difficult to learn to speak them well? Explain.

'I'd rather start making money at 16 than continue studying." Do you agree? Discuss.

'Most of what you learn in school is useless. Also, most teachers are out of touch with the real world." Do you agree? Discuss.

You don't need to go to school to be smart. I can teach myself.' Do you agree?

'Going to school is a complete waste of time.' Do you agree? Explain your views.

Which is more important: the skills you learn in school or in real life? Explain.

Would you consider studying abroad? Where? Why? Talk about it.

Are women encouraged to pursue an education? What jobs do they do? Talk about it.

#### Match

- 1. boarding school
- 2. diploma
- 3. distance learning
- 4. mortar board
- 5. open university
- 6. primary education 7. secondary education
- 8. tertiary education
- a. 2nd stage in formal education, usually from the ages of 12 to 17
- b. higher education provided by universities and colleges
- c. 1st stage in formal education, usually from the ages of 6 to 11
- d. higher education institute that provides distance learning courses
- e, school where pupils are provided with meals and lodging
- f. document that proves a student has earned a degree
- a. courses taken at home, usually online using a computer network
- h. academic cap topped by a flat square with a tassel

#### Quotes:

- What we learn with pleasure, we never forget.
- Practice is the best of all instructors.
- If you can read this, thank a teacher.

Do you agree? Discuss.



# Travellina



How do you travel to school? How do your parents travel to work?

Do you often use the public transport system? Are you satisfied with it?

What is your most / least favourite way of travelling?

Can you compare travelling by bus to travelling by train?

What means of transport can you use when travelling by air, by sea or on land?

Have you ever flown? Describe your last flight.

What do you think about security measures at the airports these days?

Have you ever travelled by ship?

Do you like organizing your own trips or do you prefer package holidays organized by a travel agency?

Do you like guided tours? Why (not)? What kind of accommodation and services do you prefer while travelling?

Describe your best holiday ever.

Do you have a driving licence? Did you pass first time? Are you a good driver?

Have you ever gone camping? Did you like it?

What do you pack for a camping holiday?

Where are you going on your next holiday?



What's the most unusual form of transport you have used?

When you go on holiday. How do you usually travel?

What do you prepare before going on holiday?

> What is the longest journey you have ever made? Describe

What kind of accidents can happen while travelling? Have you experienced any of them?

What was your worst holiday ever? Why? What went wrong?





Speaking and listening - Elementary to Intermediate

# Let's talk about TRAVEL



#### Conversation cards

Have you ever been abroad? Where did you go? (abroad = to another country) How many countries have you visited? Talk about them. Where do you usually go on holiday? What do you like about it?

How do you usually travel? (e.g. by plane, car, bus) Which do you prefer? Why? Have you ever travelled by plane? How did you feel? What is your favourite holiday destination? Why?

Do you prefer the beach or the mountains? Why? What's you favourite country? Why? What's your favourite city? Why? What can you do there?

Do you ever go camping? What do you like about it?

Where do you usually stay when you're on holiday? (e.g. hotel, resort, camping, family) Where did you spend your last holiday? Talk about it.

When you are travelling, do you try to speak the local language?

Where do you plan to go for your next holiday? Talk about it. Who do you usually travel with? How do you travel?

How often do you go on holiday? With whom? Have you ever taken a package tour? Talk about it. Do you prefer to travel in a group (e.g. a tour) or independently? Why?

Have you ever visited another country?	Yes/No
If so, which one(s)?	
Which three cities do you like most?	
Which country would you like to visit? Why?	
Which country would you NOT like to visit?	Hermonuchieries
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# Let's talk about TOURISM



#### Take nothing but photos, leave nothing but footprints.

How often do you go on holiday? Where have you been?

What are the most popular tourist attractions in your country?

Describe a sightseeing trip you have taken.

Which museums have you visited? Which did you enjoy most? Why?

City trip or beach holiday? Which do you prefer? Why?

What are the benefits of tourism for a country? Explain.

What are possible disadvantages of tourism for a country? Explain.

What kind of jobs are there in the tourism industry? Would like to do one?

What makes a good tour guide? Explain.

For tourists, what is the most convenient way to get around in your country?

Have you flown? Was it short or long haul? Did you suffer from jet lag? Have you taken a long distance bus trip? How many hours were you on the bus?

Which of the 7 new world wonders do you know? Where are they located?

Which city or country would you like to visit most? Explain why.

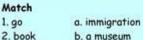
Name some landmarks from your city or country. Describe them.

Which countries are the most popular destinations? Discuss. Do online research. Which cities or countries have you visited? What's your top 3?

Does your country benefit from tourism? In what way?

Landmarks	#	Country
Angkor Wat		
Christ Redeemer		
Coliseum		
Eiffel Tower		
Machu Picchu		
Mount Fuji		
Pyramids		
Statue of Liberty		
Taj Mahal		
Tower Bridge		





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g. local customs 8. pass h. into a hotel i. a plane

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## Let's talk about ACCIDENTS



#### Conversation cards

Have you (or someone you know) ever had an accident? Say what happened.

Where do you think the most accidents happen? What are the most common accidents?

Have you ever seen or been in a car accident? Describe what you saw.

What kind of accidents can happen at school or at the playground?

Have you ever been in hospital? How did you end up there?

Have you ever hurt yourself or caused damage while playing or doing sports? What happened?

What kind of accidents can happen at the beach? What about the mountains?

What can be found in the kitchen that can cause accidents? What about the garden?

What are possible causes for car accidents? How can we reduce the risk of car crashes?

What can you possibly find in a first aid kit?

Studies have shown that most accidents happen at home. What can happen?

Have you ever broken a bone or needed stitches? What happened?

What should you do when someone falls down the stairs and can't move?

What should you do when a dog is growling at you?

What should you do when you get bitten by a dog or another animal?

What could happen at the workplace? How can we reduce industrial accidents?

What can be done to prevent accidents from happening at home/at work/on the road? Discuss in group.

What number can you call to get help when someone has an accident?









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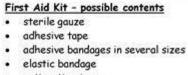
#### The Top 6 Accidents-Waiting-to-Happen in Your Home

Every year, nearly 20,000 people die and 21 million medical visits are needed due to home accidents in the United States, says the U.S. Home Safety Council.

Those most at risk are children and the elderly -- a recent report from Harvard Medical School found that the chance of dying from a home accident increases dramatically after the age of 65. In fact, people over the age of 75 are four times more likely to die from a home accident than those aged 65 to 74.

Of course, people of all ages can be hurt by an accident (you've likely got at least one home-accident story of your own by now). The irony is that most home accidents are the result of human error and could almost always have been prevented.

- 1. Cutting yourself with a knife.
- 2. Slamming fingers in doors/windows.
- 3. Falling down the stairs.
- 4. Getting burned while cooking.
- 5. Falling out of windows.
- 6. Electrocution.



- antiseptic wipes
- soap
- antibiotic cream
- antiseptic solution (like hydrogen peroxide)
- hydrocortisone cream (1%)
- · acetaminophen and ibuprofen
- tweezers
- sharp scissors
- safety pins
- · alcohol wipes or ethyl alcohol
- · thermometer
- plastic gloves
- your list of emergency phone numbers

(Pie charts taken from anther online report)

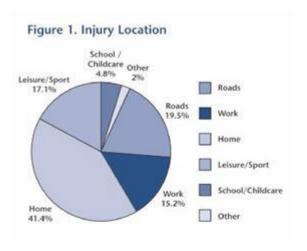
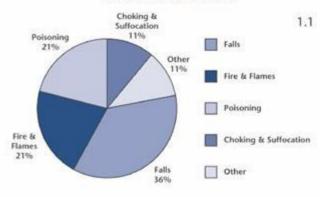
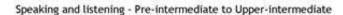


Figure 2. Cause of Deaths from Accidents in the Home







# Let's talk about TECHNOLOGY



#### Conversation cards

What do you think of when you hear the world technology? Brainstorm. Discuss in group.

In your opinion, which invention has had the greatest impact on society in the last 100 years? Explain your choice.

Which modern invention could you not live without? Explain your choice.

What are the 3 greatest inventions of all time? Work in group. Make a list. Compare your ideas. What things should never have been invented?
Brainstorm and discuss in group.

You are stranded on a desert island. What would you wish you had with you? Explain why.

How has technology changed the workplace? Explain. Has technology had any impact on education? In what way? How has technology changed on medical care? Technology has revolutionized transport. Explain.

Has technology ever let you down? (= disappointed you by not working properly) What happened? Do computers save time or do they just make us waste more time? Discuss. Take a vote. Does technology (or the use thereof) ever get on your nerves? (= irritate or arroy you) Explain and give examples.

How has technology improved our daily lives? Give examples and explain the advantages of technological advances. Is technological advance always for the better? Can you think of any disadvantages of technology? 'Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic.' Do you agree? Give some examples.

What could never be replaced by technology?
Explain why not.

What would you like to see invented in the future? Explain why. 'Modern technology owes ecology an apology.' What does this mean? Do you agree?

Your invention











#### Description

The Universal Translator" is a machine that can translate instantly one spoken language into another. This device will make travel and international business much easier, as well as relationships between people and countries worldwide. It is powered by solar cells that will last a lifetime. Software provided for 200 languages. Will be available soon in miniaturized pocket version.

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# Let's talk about ADDICTIONS



Addicted (adj.): unable to stop doing something

What are some things that people are addicted to? Brainstorm. Are you addicted to anything? Talk about it. Is it dangerous? Is TV important to you? How many hours do you watch every week?

Which addictions are dangerous? Which aren't? Do you know anyone who is addicted? Talk about it. (don't use real names) Do you have a game console? (e.g. Playstation, Gameboy) How often do you play?

Have you ever played cards (or any other game) for money? Talk about it. Do you ever buy things on the Internet or from a catalogue? How often do you do this? What's your favourite restaurant? How often do you eat pizza or hamburgers?

How often do you buy lottery tickets or play the lotto? Have you ever won? How can you stop being addicted to something? Are there cures for addictions?

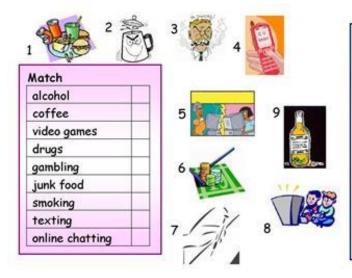
How often do you drink coffee? Could you live without it?

Do you ever drink alcohol? How much do you usually drink?

Are you a workaholic? How many hours a week do you work? Do you take work home? Do you have a mobile phone? How often do you use it? What do you use it for?

Do you smoke? If not, why not? If so, could you stop if you wanted to?

Are you a shopaholic? How often do you go shopping? Is it dangerous? Explain. Is gambling popular in your country? Is it legal? What do people gamble on?



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#### Speaking and listening - Pre-intermediate to Upper-intermediate

## Let's talk about FEARS



#### Conversation cards

What are you afraid of?

What's your biggest fear in life? Are you afraid that it might come true?

Are you afraid of going to the dentist or the doctor? Why or why not?

What were you afraid of when you were a child?

Do you ever have nightmares (bad dreams)? What are they about?

Are you afraid of ghosts or monsters? Why or why not?

What animals do you think are scary? Why?

How do you react when you see something frightening?

What's the most frightening experience you've ever had?

What can you do to overcome your fears?

Do you like horror movies? Do you think young children should be allowed to watch horror movies?

Were you afraid of the dark as a

Some people are terrified of speaking in public. Are you?

Have you ever seen a TV show where people face their fears for money? (e.g. Fear Factor) Would you do this?

Are you afraid of getting old? Why or why not?

Are you afraid of dying? Explain why or why not.

What kind of things make you nervous?

Are you afraid of being ill? What diseases are you most afraid of?



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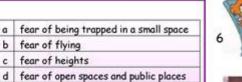
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#### Proverbs & quotes 'Fear makes the wolf bigger than he is."

'A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice."

'Why are we scared to die? Do any of us remember being scared when we were

Discuss. Do you agree?

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# Let's talk about SUPERSTITION



Superstition: a belief not based on reason or fact, but on old ideas about luck and magic

Are you superstitious? If so, give examples. If not, explain why.

Who's the most superstitious person you know? Talk about him or her.

Have you ever visited a fortune teller? What did he or she predict?

What's your star sign? How many signs of the zodiac do you know?

Do you read the horoscope? Do you believe in it? Has it ever come true?

Which sign of the Chinese zodiac were you born under? How many do you know?

Do you believe in astrology? What are lucky or unlucky numbers?

Have you ever eaten in a Chinese restaurant? Did you get a fortune cookie? Do you believe in ghosts? Have you ever seen one? Talk about it.

What's the strangest thing that has ever happened to you? Talk about it.

Has a dream ever come true? Can dreams predict the future? Talk about it.

What's a lucky charm? Give examples. Do you have one?

What are things that are considered unlucky? Explain.

What are things that are considered lucky? Explain.

Do you believe in UFOs? Are we alone in the universe? Give your view.

Do you believe in fate (= power believed to control all events)? Why or why not?

Do you believe in reincarnation? (= born in another body after death) Why or why not?

What's the strangest old wives' tale you've ever heard? (= a superstitious belief or story belonging to traditional folklore)





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Cancer	Libra	Taurus	
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Speaking and listening - Pre-intermediate - Upper-intermediate

# Let's talk about BEAUTY



#### Conversation cards

Who's the most beautiful person in your country? What about your family? Explain.

How much time and money do you spend on beauty and appearance? Give details.

Would you rather be beautiful, rich or intelligent? Choose one. Explain.

Who's the prettiest woman on the planet? Who's the most handsome man on Earth?

Have you ever been to a beauty salon? What happens in there?

Have you ever had plastic surgery? Would you consider it? Why or why not?

How can you improve your appearance? Give some tips and tricks.

Do you watch beauty pageants? Is being beautiful enough to win such a contest? Explain.

How popular is plastic surgery where you live? What are some common procedures?

Give your own definition of beauty. Work in a group. Compare with others.

Do you think appearance and beauty is linked to success? Explain.

Do you have any piercings? Would you ever get one? Why or why not?

Is beauty the same worldwide? What should the ideal man or woman in your county look like?

Would you prefer your children to be beautiful (and dumb) or talented (and ugly)? Explain.

Do tattoos make a person more attractive? Why do people get them? Give your views.

What is inner beauty? Which personality traits might be considered beautiful?

Beauty is only skin deep." Explain (use a dictionary if necessary) and discuss.

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder." Explain. Do you agree?



















#### Quotes

- No object is so beautiful that. under certain conditions, it will not look ugly. (Oscar Wilde)
- Joy is the best makeup. (Anne Lamott)
- Everything has its beauty, but not everyone sees it. (Confucius)









# Let's talk about the INTERNET



#### Conversation cards

How often do you use the Internet? Where do you use it?

What's your email address? How often do you check you email?

Do you have a computer at home? Is it a desktop or a laptop? (also: notebook)

Do you have a mobile phone? Can you connect to the Internet with it?

What's your favourite website? How often do you visit it? Have you ever played online games? What's your favourite?

Have you ever bought anything on the Internet? What was it?

What are the most popular goods (and services) sold online?

Have you ever made new friends on the Internet? Talk about it.

Do you use instant messaging? What software do you use? Do you chat online? Do you visit chat rooms or use instant messaging?

Have you ever downloaded music or video? Talk about it.

Are you a member of a social networking site? (e.g. Facebook, Hi5, MySpace) What do you use computers How often do you use them? Which Internet browser do you prefer? Why? (e.g. IE, Firefox, Safari, Chrome)

Which operating system do you use? Why? (e.g. Windows XP, Vista, Linux)

Describe the computer you use. (make, type, OS, monitor, memory, HD, accessories)

Have you ever used pirated software? Do you think it is okay to use it?

#### Match items and pictures card reader DVD writer external hard drive keyboard LCD monitor cordless mouse printer thumb drive











- 1. check
- 2. surf
- 3. play
- use
- download
- 6. upload
- 7. open
- 8. plug in
- 9. connect
- 10. send

- a. to the Internet
- b. a computer
- c. music
- d. a thumb drive
- e. the Internet
- f. an email account
- g. your email
- h. an email i. photos
- j. online games











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# \* Let's talk about social networking sites



- How many social networking sites do you know? Can you give any examples?
- Have you ever joined in any social networking sites? How do you like them?
- In your opinion, what is the best social networking site? Explain why.

- Social networking sites are for those who aren't good at meeting people face to face. What do you think of this statement?
- Have you ever tried to find your soul mate on a social networking site? Was it dangerous?
- What did you think when you first used Twitter? Do you think it's a successful site? Explain why.

- What do you think of 140 characters for the Twitter updates? Is it enough?
- What do you think of Twitter's slogan, "What are you doing"?
- Why does Twitter choose a bird as its logo? How do they make money?

- What springs to your mind when you hear the word 'Facebook'?
   What do you think of this name?
- What do you think of putting personal information on Facebook? Explain why.
- What are your favorite Facebook applications or games? Explain why.

- Have you ever put anything on Facebook that you were regretted? Talk about it.
- What would you like Facebook and Twitter to do differently?
   Explain why.
- What are the best things about Facebook and Twitter? Explain why.

- Why are Facebook and Twitter banned in some countries?
- What do you think of someone who are addicted to Facebook?
   How can you help them?
- What questions would you like to ask Facebook's and Twitter's inventor or owner?

- Should a company ban the employees from using social networking sits at work? Why or why not?
- What kind of new features would you like to see on social networking sites in the future?
- Do you think your country's leader has a page on a social networking site? What do you think it might contain?

- Do you think that social networking sites will make people lonelier? Explain why.
- Would you prefer to meet new people at a party or through internet?
- Should children be allowed to use social networking sites? Why or why not?





Most of social networking sites have their own signiture logo. It
makes people recognize them easily. So it's time to check your memory!
 Can you name all the following icons with their site's name? Have fun!



#### **TEACHER'S**

# Answer Key:







# Let's talk about FINDING MR (S) RIGHT



#### Conversation cards

Where can people find a (life) partner? Make a list of likely places to meet someone. Do you have a partner?

If so, where did you meet them?

How did your parents and grandparents meet each other? Was it any different from now?

Once you (think you) have found Mr(s) Right, what would you do next? What do you look for in a potential partner? Make a list of qualities and put them in order of importance.

How can you increase your chances of finding a partner?

- as a man
- as a woman

Do you think the Internet is a good way to find a partner? Explain your point of view. Make a list of pros and cons.

Finding a partner using the Internet has become popular. Do you know any dating websites? How do they work? Have you ever written a real love letter (not email)? How do people in love communicate nowadays?

What is speed dating? Have you ever done it? Would you do it? What are its (dis)advantages? What is a long-distance relationship? Do you think they work? Sometimes people already in a relationship have an affair. Why would they do this?

What are the advantages of being single? Brainstorm. In some cultures bigamy or even polygamy is allowed. Are you in favour or against this? Why? What do you think of arranged marriages? Do they still exist? Where? Can they work?

What are the advantages of being married? Brainstorm. What do the words cheating and adultery mean? Explain in your own words. Can you die of a broken heart? What advice can you give to someone who has just been dumped?



# Put in sequence get married ask for a date fall out of love fancy someone get divorced fall in love go on honeymoon get engaged

#### Group work

- Make a list of love songs or ballads you know.
- . Use the Internet to find the lyrics of your favourite song.
- Copy and paste the lyrics into a Word document.
- · Blank out a word every (other) line.
- Download the music or video. Play the song in the classroom.
- Your classmates have to find the missing words.

#### Example: first verse of Love Hurts (Nazarath)



#### TEACHER'S

#### Speaking Topics

At work, at a club, pub, bar; at a fitness centre, at a sports centre, on holiday, etc. (answers may vary)

Answers may vary.

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They should be smart, good-looking, rich, have a sense of humour, fit and healthy, etc. Answers may vary. E.g.

<u>As a man</u>: be a gentleman, be polite,
don't be pushy, give compliments etc.

<u>As a woman</u>: Be yourself, don't be
neaative. don't play 'hard to get' etc.

Answers may vary.

E.g. Pro: it's easy, accessible, cheap, anonymous etc.

Cons: You could end up meeting an axe murderer, people lie on the Net etc. Answers may vary.

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Speed dating:

An organized meeting in which people talk to potential partners for a short time in rotation to assess whether there is mutual interest. Long-distance relationship or LDR is typically an intimate relationship that takes place when the partners are separated by a considerable distance. Answers may vary.
E.g. They fall in love with someone else, their marriage has become a bore.

Answers may vary.

Bigamy: having two wives or two husbands at the same time

Polygamy: having multiple wives or two husbands at the same time

Arranged marriage: is a marriage arranged by someone other than the couple getting wedded, curtailing or avoiding the process of courtship. Answers may varv.

Answers may vary.

Cheating: To be sexually unfaithful (to your partner or spouse)

Adultery: Sexual intercourse between a <u>married</u> person and a third party.

There are plenty of fish in the sea.

Answers may vary.

# Group work or alternative:

Instead of letting the students do the group work, you could prepare an adequate song with cloze worksheet yourself.

Search ESLprintables for lyrics and worksheet.

get married	5
ask for a date	2
fall out of love	7
fancy someone	1
get divorced	8
fall in love	3
go on honeymoon	6
get engaged	4





# Let's talk about MOVIES



#### Conversation cards

How often do you go to the cinema? Who do you go with?

What kind of movies do you like? Why? (e.g. action, horror, sci-fi)

Who's your favourite actor or actress? Why do you like them?

What's the name of the last film you saw? What was it about?

Do you like horror movies? Why (not)?

What's the best movie you have ever seen? Explain why.

Do you prefer to watch movies at home or in the cinema? Why?

Do you ever rent DVDs? If so, where do you rent them?

Have you ever bought a pirated movie? Do you think it is OK to copy movies?

What is the worst movie you have ever seen? Why was it so bad?

Have you ever watched the Academy Awards (Oscars)? If so, did you like it? Why? Do you watch movies in English or your language? Which do you prefer?

When you watch an English movie, do you prefer it dubbed or subtitled? Why? Movie stars are often paid millions of dollars. Do you think they deserve this? Explain.

Give as many 'movie words' as you know. (e.g. film, director, set)

Do you ever watch reality TV shows? Do you like them? Why (not)?

What kind of snacks or drinks do you have when you go to the movies?

Would you like to be a famous film star? Why or why not?

Have you ever ?	Y/N
(see) a horror movie	
(eat) popcorn in the cinema	
(leave) the theatre before the end	
(rent) a DVD	
(watch) the Academy Awards	
(meet) a film star	
(ask) for an autograph	

Q: Have you ever seen a horror movie?

A: Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.

#### Match the titles with the genres

- 1. Pirates of the Carribean a. animated cartoon
- Star Trek: The Movie
- 3. Kung Fu Panda
- 4. Zombies Nightmare
- 5. The Battle of the Bulge
- 6. Fatal Attraction
- 7. Shakespeare in Love
- 8. The Sound of Music
  - 9. Die Hard

- b. horror movie
- c. war movie
- d. romantic comedy
- e. musical
- f. science fiction
- g. thriller h. adventure
- i. action



Action !





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# Let's talk about POP MUSIC



#### Conversation cards

Who's your favourite singer? What's your favourite band? Explain why.

What's the hottest band (or singer) at the moment? Why are they popular?

Which songs currently top the charts? Which music programmes or channels do you watch?

Have you ever been to a pop concert? Talk about it.

What's you favourite music video? Describe it.

What kind of music do you like? Do your parents share your taste?

How important is music to you? Could you live without it?

Do you play in a band? If so, explain. If not, would you like to? Where do you get your music? How often do you buy songs or CDs?

What's the best band (or singer) ever? Say why.

What kind of popular music styles do you know? Make a list with examples.

MP3 player, CD player, cassette player, radio. Which do you use to listen to music?

Do you try to understand the lyrics of the music you listen to?

Do you usually like a song because of the music or the lyrics?

Do you like singing karaoke? Why or why not?

'Anything that is too stupid to be spoken is sung." Do you agree? Discuss.

'MTV is to music as KFC is to chicken." Explain. Do you agree?

Has your taste in music changed over the years? Explain.



Match

AC/DC

Beyonce

Shakira The Beatles The Rolling Stones Vanessa May

Black Eyed Peas Red Hot Chilli Peppers

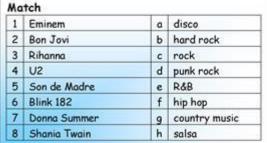




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#### Answer key:

Match	
AC/DC	7
Beyonce	5
Black Eyed Peas	8
Red Hot Chilli Peppers	1
Shakira	3
The Beatles	2
The Rolling Stones	4
Vanessa May	6

1	Eminem - F	a	disco
2	Bon Jovi - B	Ь	hard rock
3	Rihanna - E	С	rock
4	U2 - C	d	punk rock
5	Son de Madre - H	e	R&B
6	Blink 182 - D	f	hip hop
7	Donna Summer - A	9	country music
8	Shania Twain - G	h	salsa



# Let's talk about CLIMATE CHANGE

#### Conversation cards

Do you believe in climate

change?

What is climate change? Is it the same as global warming? Think about it and explain in your words to the class.

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If so, why do you think it is happening? Discuss in group.

Some people claim climate change is just part of a natural cycle and that it is not manmade. What do you think?

What dangers are threatening our lives and our planet? Discuss in group & make a list. Should we be worried about climate change? Explain. Are you worried? Do you think climate change can be stopped? What should be done?

Scientists predict that the ice caps will melt.

What affect could this have on life on Earth? 'Cutting carbon emissions' is an often used phrase.

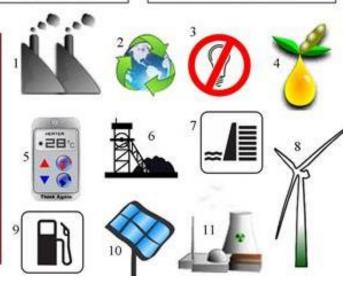
What does it mean and how can it be achieved? Do you use environmentallyfriendly products? Have you 'gone green'? Give examples.

What's a carbon footprint? How big is yours? How can it be reduced? Have you changed your lifestyle to save our planet and prevent climate change? What have you done? Do you or your family drive an "eco car"? Why or why not? Give examples of such cars.

Are governments doing enough to combat climate change? Name some measures that have been so far. The world is addicted to oil. Are there any alternatives to oil? Make a list of energy sources and their effect on nature. What do you know about the Kyoto Protocol? What happened in 2009 in Copenhagen?

Could climate change destroy life on Earth? Discuss a best-case and a worstcase scenario. Coal is still a widely used source of energy worldwide. Is it more or less polluting than oil? Is there a future for coal? Should poor developing countries be asked to make similar efforts as wealthy, industrialized countries? Give your view.

Match pictures and text
CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE
coal mine
control panel for heater or A/C
dam - hydroelectric power plant
neavy industry
ncandescent light bulb
nuclear power plant
petrol station or gas station
recycling could save the world
solar panel
wind turbine



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(onswers may vary) The phrase 'climate change' is now preferred to 'global warming' because it helps convey that there are changes in addition to rising temperatures. (answers may vary)

Speaking Topics

(answers may vary)

climate change, pollution, overpopulation, deforestation, lack of clean water, meteor impact, terrorism etc.

(answers may vary)

(answers may vary)
cut carbon emissions, change our
lifestyle, go green, consume less
energy, tax polluters etc.

Possible rise of sea levels could flood low-lying areas where millions live (e.g. Bangladesh, Pacific islands, Amsterdam etc.) Reduce the emission of CO2. Save energy, make industries cleaner and greener, drive smaller cars, etc. 'eco' car, detergents, paper, bags, recycling, use public transport etc.

Amount of greenhouse gases (GHG) that are emitted into the atmosphere each year by an entity such as a person, household, organization, etc. (can be direct or indirect).

(answers may vary)

(answers may vary) Toyota Prius is one of the first and most popular eco-cars; unfortunately more expensive than normal cars

(answers may vary)

solar, wind, hydro-electric, nuclear energy, bio-fuels, etc. What do you know about the Kyoto Protocol? What happened in 2009 in Copenhagen?

(answers may vary)

Very polluting energy source.
Cheap and widely available. Carbon capture and storage (CCS) technology under development.

(answers may vary)

biofuel	4
coal mine	6
control panel for heater or A/C	5
dam - hydroelectric power plant	7
heavy industry	1
incandescent light bulb	3
nuclear power plant	11
petrol station or gas station	9
recycling could save the world	2
solar panel	10
wind turbine	8

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