

1 Personalities

Tell your partner about...

- somebody you know who is quite vain
- somebody you know who is always very cheerful
- somebody you know who is extremely stubborn
- somebody you know who is often bad-tempered
- somebody you know who is very wise

3 Your town

In which part of your town / city do you live? (in the centre, on the outskirts, etc.)

What do you like best / least about your neighbourhood?

Are there any famous landmarks or sights in your town?

Are there any problems with...?

- a homeless people b pollution c crime

If you had to choose one adjective to describe your town / city, what would it be?

Are you happy living there or would you like to move?

5 Music

When and where do you normally listen to music?

What kind of music do you listen to?

Did your parents listen to a lot of music when you were growing up? What kind?

Is your taste in music similar in any way to your parents'?

Do you tend to have friends who share your musical tastes?

If you could be a world-class musician, what exactly would you choose to be?

7 Feelings

Tell your partner about a time you felt...

- really disappointed about something
- a bit homesick
- over the moon about some news
- furious with someone in your family
- scared stiff before you had to do something

9 Crime and punishment

What are the most common crimes in your town / city?

Have you or someone you know ever been the victim of a crime?

What would you do to reduce crime?

Have you or someone you know ever been on a jury?

Which of these do you enjoy?

- a reading detective novels b watching TV crime series

2 Your style

Do you dress up often or do you tend to wear casual clothes?

Do you prefer wearing plain or patterned clothes?

Do you consider yourself to be quite trendy?

What are your three favourite items of clothing?

Where do you tend to buy most of your clothes? Why?

4 Your health

Tell your partner about a time when you or someone you know well...

- needed stitches
- fainted
- had food poisoning
- had very bad flu
- had an allergic reaction to something
- had to spend some time in hospital

6 The media

How up to date are you with what's going on in the world?

Where do you usually get the news from?

Do you think news reporting in your country is objective or biased?

What's the biggest story in the news at the moment?

What kind of reviews do you usually read? Do you take any notice of them?

8 The weather

Tell your partner about...

- the kind of weather you enjoy
- the kind of weather you hate
- the most extreme weather you have ever experienced
- a holiday or trip that was a disaster because of the weather

10 Advertising

Talk about...

- an advert (or TV commercial) you love
- an advert which really irritates you
- a brand that has a memorable logo or slogan
- an advert which made you buy something