

## STORY DICE

1- Scary Story

2- Funny Story

3- Love Story

4- Sad Story

5- Brave Story

6- Angry Story

CASUAL REDUCTIONS

A: Hi Jenny. How's it going?

B: Pretty good. How about you?

*A: Hi Jenny. Howzit goin'?*

*B: Pretty good. How 'bout choo?*

A: What are you doing this Sunday?

B: Haven't decided. Do you want to climb Baiyun Mountain?

A: I don't know. Maybe.

*A: Whaddaya doin' this Sunday?*

*B: Haven't decided. Wanna climb Baiyun Mountain?*

*A: I dunno. Maybe.*

A: Hey. Do you have a minute? I want to ask you about something.

B: Actually, I'm kind of busy right now. Give me just five minutes.

*A: Hey. Ya gotta minute? I wanna ask you 'bout sumpin'.*

*B: Actually, I'm kinda busy right now. Gimmie jus' five minutes.*

A: Can you guys\* be a little more quiet? I'm trying to sleep.

B: Sorry. We're going to sleep too.

*A: Can ya guys\* be a little more quiet? I'm tryin' ta sleep.*

*B: Sorry. We're gonna sleep too.*

A: Do you think the brown shirt looks better or the blue one?

B: Hmm. I don't know. To tell you the truth, I don't like either.

*A: D'ya think the brown shirt looks better or da blue one?*

*B: Hmm. I dunno. To tell ya the truth, I don' like neither.*

## REDUCTIONS IN BUSINESS

A: Hello sir. How may I help you?

B: Yes, I'd like ta to make a reservation to the Great Wall.

A: That flight will be delayed sir.

B: Cantcha do sumpin to help me? I hafta get there by two!

A: Are you folks ready to order?

B: Yes, she'll have the fish and I'll have the steak.

A: Wouldja like something ta drink with that?

B: No thanks. Just water.

A: How wouldja like me to cut it?

B: Jus' gimmie a trim please, like last time.

A: No problem.

A: Yes, and we can guarantee ya a six percent discount if we getcher order within the month.

B: That's gonna make my boss happy.

A: So we're countin' on higher sales figures people! Remember the customer is God!

B: Don't worry. We gotcher back chief!

100 Q' s translate: Quiz the teacher

Using the 100 Q' s sheet, translate into Chinese one question as best as you can. Say it to the teacher in Chinese. See if he can understand. If he cannot, use other words. If you speak English, you lose.

## 100 Questions

1. What's your name?
2. How are you?
3. How old are you?
4. What's your favorite color?
5. When's your birthday?
6. Where do you live?
7. What's your telephone number?
8. What time do you get up?
9. What time do you wake up?
10. What time do you go to bed?
11. What time do you go to sleep?
12. What time do you eat dinner?
13. What time do you eat breakfast?
14. What do you eat for breakfast?
15. Do you eat porridge for breakfast?
16. Do you eat bread for breakfast?
17. Where do you go to school?
18. Do you like school?
19. What subject do you like?
20. Where are you from?
21. What do you do?
22. How many people are in your family?
23. What's your hobby?
24. What's your favorite food?
25. Who is your favorite famous person?
26. When do eat for (breakfast/lunch/dinner)?
27. What animal do you like?
28. What did you eat for lunch?
29. Do you have a pet?
30. What's your pet's name?
31. Where did you go on Sunday?
32. Have you ever been to Beijing?
33. What's your nickname?
34. What color do you like?
35. What sports do you play?
36. How did you come here today?
37. Did you watch TV yesterday?
38. What did you watch?
39. What are you going to do after class?
40. How many brothers and sisters do you have?
41. How old is your is brother?
42. Where do you go with your friends?
43. What time is it?
44. What's the date today?
45. Which season do you like best?
46. What's your best friend's name?
47. What game do you like to play?
48. What's your favorite TV program?
49. Do you like bread or rice?
50. What did you eat for lunch?
51. What's your favorite sport?
52. Have you ever gone fishing?
53. How do you spell 'dog'?
54. What's '好' in English?
55. How many people are in your class?
56. How many people are in your school?
57. What year are you?
58. Are you doing good in school?
59. Is school fun?
60. Did you do your homework?
61. What game do you want to play?
62. Do you have any pets at school?
63. Are you hungry?
64. Are you thirsty?
65. Did anything interesting happen today?
66. How was English?
67. Did you speak well?
68. Long time no see.
69. Do you have a club?
70. What should I do?
71. How old is your grandmother?
72. Have you ever climbed a tree?
73. Do you like old music?
74. Can you play an instrument?
75. What's your favorite song?
76. Do you like to sing?
77. Do you sing karaoke?
78. What's your favorite holiday?
79. Why is (summer vacation) your favorite holiday?
80. What is the longest time you ever ran?
81. How long is the longest report you have ever written?
82. What is the longest you ever swam?
83. Where did you go last New Year's?
84. Do you think English is difficult or easy?
85. Where does your grandmother live?
86. Do you like hamburgers or pizza?
87. If you could be any animal, what kind of animal would you be?
88. Do you like to sleep in a soft or hard bed?
89. Have you ever been stung by a bee?
90. Where is your favorite place to play?
91. Do you like climbing mountains?
92. What is your hardest subject?
93. How old were you when you got your first bicycle?
94. How fast can you run?
95. How tall are you?
96. Can you use a computer?
97. Do you think TV is good or bad?
98. Who is the President of the U.S.?
99. What's seven times five?
100. What time do you have to wake up?

## BE SOMEBODY ELSE!

Students! Everyone ask questions to *Miss x*. She will pretend to be me.

Then another student will pretend to be *Miss x* and so on.

Do about 4 interviews.

## FIND YOUR PARTNER

Look at the card you have. Find someone else with the same card. Practice it. When you finish, trade with someone else.

CHALLENGE- Don't memorize your card BUT try to make a similar dialogue with your partner in front of the class. Try to use words that are different than on the card but have the same meaning. Students can give you hints.

## HAPPINESS QUIZ

When you are done with the quiz, ask each other questions.

Ex. Really? Why? I like big parties because they're fun.

You laughed really hard last week? What was so funny?

Wow. You watch TV a lot. Do you think it's good?

## REDUCTIONS

Practice some reductions then take a listening quiz!

## IDIOMS

Learn more idioms. Make a sentence using one idiom. Look at the hints onscreen.

## Category Quiz, Phrases

### Transportation

Bus

Truck

Airplane

Bicycle

Car

Train

### Fruit

Banana

Apple

Pineapple

Strawberry

Cherry

Orange

### Clothes

t-shirt

suit

dress

shorts

socks

sneakers

### Animals

Cat

Panda

Fish

Turtle

Dog

Lion

### House

Sofa

Bed

Table

Kitchen

Chair

Door

### Weather

Rainy

Cloudy

Sunny

Hot

Cold

Snowy

# Conversation Questions for the ESL/EFL Classroom

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### **Would you like to help?**

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- If you can think of a good question for any list, please send it to us.
- If you would like to suggest another topic, please send it and a set of questions to begin the topic.

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Cut Court Cute Cat Kit Cot Cart Coat Kite Kurt

Put Port Pew Pat Pit Pot Part Poke Pile Pull

Rut Loan Loo Let Lit Lot Roar Rake Lie Rule

But Bone Boo Bet Bit Dot Bore Bake Bye! Bull

Sit Sewn Sue Set Sit Shop Shore Shake Shy Shell

1A

Your friend asks you to help her move. You say OK- you would be happy to. But on the day to move you went on a trip to Hong Kong and completely forget! When you see your friend the next day you remember.

4A

You went to New Zealand for vacation for two weeks. Your friend watched your dog for you. You come back to Guanzhou and go to your friend's home to get your dog.

2A

You went out to eat with friends but forgot your wallet. Your friend paid for the meal but you forgot completely!

5A

Your friend borrowed your notebook computer for three days. You need it today and go over to his/her house to pick it up.

3A

You own a small shop. One thing you sell are expensive vases. A customer is looking at one, but she drops it and breaks it.

6A

You are the owner of a small restaurant. A customer you have never seen before eats lunch. You are happy to have a new customer. He eats a large lunch and stands up to leave.

1B

Your friend agreed to help you move on Sunday, but she never came. You wanted to call her on your cell phone but it is broken and you couldn't remember her number. You had a very hard time moving without your friend helping you.

4B

You watched your friend's dog while he/she went on vacation to New Zealand for two weeks. But after one week the dog ran away! You looked and looked, but couldn't find it. Your friend is coming over now to pick up the dog. What will you say?

2B

You went out to eat with your friends but one of your friends forgot her wallet. You lent her the money for the meal. But it's been one month and your friend still hasn't paid you back!

5B

You borrowed your friend's notebook computer. But you tripped on the subway stairs and dropped it. Now the computer is broken. You took it to the computer store and they said you should buy a new one. Suddenly your friend comes over to pick it up.

3B

You are in a small shop. One thing they sell are expensive vases. You pick one up to see how heavy it is. But you drop it and break it. Oh no!

6B

You go to eat for the first time at a small restaurant. You enjoy your lunch and get ready to leave. You pull out your wallet though see that there is no money in it! You realize that you had forgotten to go to the bank that morning.

**Hamlet** was the Prince of Denmark who was devastated by his father's death. Meanwhile, he has a relationship with a girl named **Ophelia**, but they can never marry because she is not of royal blood. Hamlet sees the ghost of his father, who tells him that his uncle, Claudius poisoned him and that is how he died. Hamlet is enraged and seeks **revenge** on Claudius, who married Hamlet's mother in order to get at the crown, which rightfully belonged to Hamlet. One night, Hamlet is talking with his mother when he realizes someone is spying on them and stabs the person through a hanging tapestry. He is unsettled when he finds it to be Ophelia's father, who worked for the king. Ophelia goes mad when she finds that her true love killed her father. She drowns in a river. Hamlet, meanwhile plots revenge against Claudius. One day, he engages in a duel with Ophelia's brother Laertes. However, Hamlet does not know that Laertes and the king have secretly plotted revenge against Hamlet for killing Laertes' and Ophelia's father. The king poisoned a glass of wine and Laertes poisoned his sword, one of which would surely kill the Prince. However, things go amiss when the Queen drinks the poisoned wine and falls dead. Laertes slices Hamlet's arm with his poisoned sword, leaving Hamlet with just enough time left of his life to fulfill his goal. He slays king Claudius, and also Laertes when he discovers the sword had poisoned him. They all die in the end.

### *HOW HAPPY ARE YOU?*

1. When was the last time you had a really good laugh?
  - a. within the last few days
  - b. in the last month or so
  - c. about a year ago
  - d. so long ago that you can't remember
  
2. Which color do you prefer?
  - a. blue
  - b. white
  - c. red
  - d. yellow
  - e. black
  
3. What's your idea of a great night out?
  - a. a quiet dinner for two
  - b. a noisy party
  - c. going to the cinema on your own
  
4. What do you think about when you're alone?
  - a. the past
  - b. your plans for the day
  - c. the future
  
5. If you could live your life again, who would you like to be?
  - a. a pop star
  - b. a politician
  - c. yourself
  - d. a member of a Royal family
  - e. a gypsy
  
6. When do you get up in the morning?
  - a. at the same time every day
  - b. the minute you wake up
  - c. as late in the day as possible
  
7. What do you consider to be the most important?
  - a. money
  - b. friends
  - c. principles
  
8. How do you feel if someone's looking at you?
  - a. embarrassed
  - b. angry
  - c. pleased and flattered
  
9. When are you happiest?
  - a. at work
  - b. watching television
  - c. talking to friends
  
10. How many really good friends do you have?
  - a. one or two
  - b. about six
  - c. ten or more
  - d. none
  
11. What do you expect to happen in the next 12 months?
  - a. your personal situation will get worse
  - b. you will achieve an ambition
  - c. things will stay much as they are
  
12. What is your attitude to children and pets?
  - a. life would be dull without them
  - b. alright if they are somebody else's and are kept under control
  - c. a big responsibility

## ANSWER KEY

1. a-3 b-2 c-1 d-0      5. a-0 b-1 c-2 d-0 e-0      9. a-1 b-0 c-2  
2. a-2 b-1 c-2 d-2 e-0      6. a-1 b-2 c-0      10. a-1 b-2 c-3 d-0  
3. a-2 b-2 c-1      7. a-0 b-2 c-1      11. a-0 b-2 c-1  
4. a-0 b-3 c-2      8. a-1 b-0 c-2      12. a-2 b-0 c-1

## WHAT YOUR SCORE MEANS

1 – 8 It's clear you've got problems. You're more than likely depressed a lot of the time and you probably make others feel miserable too. However, now you know life can be better, you can set about doing something to improve the situation.

Start by trying to inject some happiness into the lives of others.

9 – 16 Life's not too bad but there's room for improvement. Your score indicates you have the good sense to realise that you may have one or two shortcomings and are willing to put them right. You have the ability to make the most of any situation and this stops you from feeling sorry for yourself.

17–24 You seem to have found the secret of true happiness. You should count yourself a very lucky person to be so well balanced, bright and carefree. The way to carry on being happy is to spread it around to others less fortunate than yourself.

2 HOW HAPPY ARE YOU?

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Method 2 (mainly listening skills leading to discussion and reading)

Steps 1 & 2 as before.

3. Arrange the students in small groups of three or four. Give a questionnaire to one student only in the group. Set a time limit.

Allow longer than for Method 1.

4. The student with the questionnaire is the interviewer. He/she presents it to the group as a listening comprehension

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exercise. Encourage the Interviewer to take on the role of Teacher explaining and or simplifying the questions as required, but not showing the questionnaire. The other members of the group listen to the situations, clarify their understanding, and make a note of their chosen response.

EVERYONE MUST RESPOND

5. Give out the Answer key. Students work out their scores.

6. Give out copies of the questionnaire so that everyone can check the language.

7. Broaden the discussion as in Method 1.

## **How to be Polite**

How are you polite in Chinese? I think every culture is different, but perhaps giving your attention to the person you are talking to is a universal sign of politeness. Politeness depends on the situation and the social relationship of the speakers. Politeness can be the same as kindness, but not always. And sometimes we can show kindness without being polite.

Basically, there is rude language and polite language, while almost all of

the language we use every day is in between.

The easiest and most common way to be polite in English is to be indirect. The other way is to use more formal and 'difficult' vocabulary.

Here is an extreme example of indirectness:

*Would it perhaps be possible if I might meet with you sometime at your convenience to discuss a matter which may be of interest to you?*

That is ultra indirect! Fortunately, such language is rare. To be polite often we simply shift the focus on to ourselves rather than the other person. For example, instead of saying

*What do you want?*

you could say

*Can I get you anything?*

Today we will turn rude language into polite language. All three role plays occur in a service setting (restaurant, store, etc.). There are no correct answers, just try to be polite as best you can. I will post my suggestions on the screen.

Believe it or not, some service people in America are in fact very rude!

*If there is anything I can do in helping you to complete the exercise, I am most pleased to be at your service sirs and madams.*

## Vocabulary

Baked potato

Fries

Aisle



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A: Hello! How have you been?

B:

A: Oh, I know. But let's be friends anyway.

B:

A: My name is a secret. You have three guesses.

B:

A: How did you know?

B:

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A: Hi John. Great news! My wife is going to have a baby!

B:

A: Cool! When did you find out?

B:

A: Amazing! We just found out yesterday too and Jane is also six weeks.

B:

A: That would be great, wouldn't it?

B:

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A: Sally, I'm so glad you're here.

B:

A: That guy Mark I told you about? He keeps talking to me.

B:

A: You're such a good friend! The guy is really creeping me out...

B:

A: You know it sweetheart!

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A: I really like this chair. How much is it?

B:

A: Wow, that's expensive! Where is it from?

B:

A: I'll give you half for it.

B:

A: How about four?

B:

A: OK, thanks. I'll come back.

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A: What's the matter Julie? Why are you crying?

B:

A: For real? Man, what a jerk!

B:.

A: I know you're feeling really bad right now, but I have a secret I've been keeping.

B:

A: I promised not to tell, but Mark says he likes you.

B:

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A: Wow! Where did you get that new car?

B:

A: Aw, man! You should be careful not to spend it all at once.

B:

A: I don't know- you seem a little out of control.

B:!

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A: Excuse me.

B:

A: Can you tell us how to get back to the Princess Kulani hotel?

B:

A: We fell asleep on the bus.

B:

A: Could we take a taxi?

B:

A: I guess we'll wait for the bus.

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A: Welcome to the Beachcomber restaurant, may I help you?

B:

A: Unfortunately sir all our fish is frozen.

B:

A: Yes sir, I agree. Would you still like to order something?

B:

A: I hope you catch something.

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# *Keyword Quiz*

**SHOPPING**

**HOUSE**

**TELEVISION**

**GAME**

**TRAVELLING**

**BABY**

**RESTAURANT**

**CHINA**

**ATHLETE**

**PARK**

**EXERCISE**

**TREE**

## Me either.

I like steak.

I like glass elevators.

I can sing.

I don't have a pet.

I don't like math.

I read every day.

I like studying English.

My favorite color is blue.

I don't have a dog.

Oshogatsu is my favorite holiday.

I can use a computer.

I like school.

I've been to Tokyo.

I don't watch pro wrestling.

I don't like winter.

I can't drive a car.

I liked my school uniform.

I am crazy.

I like to talk with my best friend for a very long time.

I don't have any money.

I eat bread for breakfast.

I ride my bicycle to school.

I can use the internet.

I don't do gardening.

I like to read books.

I've never climbed Mt. Fuji.

I like to go for a drive.

I like motsunabe.

I sometimes go to Tenjin.

I like to eat sushi.

I've been up Fukuoka Tower.

I've never eaten lobster.

## **The Occupation Game**

Two people pretend they have a certain occupation. The goal is to not have your occupation discovered first. Your classmates can ask questions.

- You must answer truthfully.
- You cannot use more than one sentence in your answer.
- You cannot use gestures.
- You cannot say the name of your occupation. Of course!

The first person whose occupation is discovered is the loser. Both the student who guesses the occupation and the remaining player are the winners.

CASUAL REDUCTIONS

A: Hi Jenny. How's it going?

B: Pretty good. How about you?

*A: Hi Jenny. Howzit goin?*

*B: Pretty good. How 'bout choo?*

A: What are you doing this Sunday?

B: Haven't decided. Do you want to climb Baiyun Mountain?

A: I don't know. Maybe.

*A: Whaddaya doin this Sunday?*

*B: Haven't decided. Wanna climb Baiyun Mountain?*

*A: I dunno. Maybe.*

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B: Actually, I'm kind of busy right now. Give me just five minutes.

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## REDUCTIONS IN BUSINESS

A: Hello sir. How may I help you?

B: Yes, I'd like ta to make a reservation to the Great Wall.

A: That flight will be delayed sir.

B: Cantcha do sumpin to help me? I hafta get there by two!

A: Are you folks ready to order?

B: Yes, she'll have the fish and I'll have the steak.

A: Wouldja like something ta drink with that?

B: No thanks. Just water.

A: How wouldja like me to cut it?

B: Jus' gimmie a trim please, like last time.

A: No problem.

A: Yes, and we can guarantee ya a six percent discount if we getcher order within the month.

B: That's gonna make my boss happy.

A: So we're countin' on higher sales figures people! Remember the customer is God!

B: Don't worry. We gotcher back chief!



**Reductions: *pushing sounds together***

Going to -----> *gonna*

Do you -----> *d'ya*

Want to -----> *wanna*

Have to -----> *hafta*

Won't you -----> *wontcha*

Don't know -----> *dunno*

t + you -----> *choo*

Got to -----> *gotta*

What do you ----->  
*waddaya*

About -----> *'bout*





## Funny Messages

### A

#1

You are making a telephone call. Your partner is receiving the call.

- Your partner answers the phone.
- Ask for President Obama.
- Give your name and phone number.
- Leave this message:
  - There's a big seafood dinner at 2 p.m. on Sunday.
  - Meet us at the Beijing Airport.
  - Do not eat on the plane so that you will be hungry.

#2

You are receiving a call. Your partner is making a call.

- Answer the phone.
- He/she is not in.
- Ask if the caller wants to leave a message. (Write down the message.)
- Check that the message is correct.

#3

You are making a telephone call. Your partner is receiving the call.

- Your partner answers the phone.
- Ask for BoBo the Talking Chimpanzee.
- Give your name and phone number.
- Leave this message:
  - There's a big banana festival at 3 p.m. on Sunday.
  - Meet us in Africa.
  - Bring bags to put the banana peels in.

#4

You are receiving a call. Your partner is making a call.

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#2

You are making a telephone call. Your partner is receiving the call.

- Your partner answers the phone.
- Ask for the Skate man.
- Give your name and phone number.
- Leave this message:
  - There is a skate dance contest this Sunday.
  - Come to Sculpture Park.
  - Be sure to practice your dance moves.

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#4

You are making a telephone call. Your partner is receiving the call.

- Your partner answers the phone.
- Ask for the Program Director.
- Give your name and phone number.
- Leave this message:
  - I demand to be the star of the show.
  - I refuse to say lines 25 to 37- they are not funny.
  - I will not sit next to Mr. Wang; he does not compliment my looks.

**KEEP YOUR PAPERS FACE  
DOWN AND DO NOT LOOK AT  
YOUR PARTNER'S PAPER.**

Accidents at Home	Getting to Know Each	Discrimination
Adoption	Other	Dogs & Cats
Advertising	Gifts	Do You Wish...?
Advice	Goals	Dreams
Age: Youth & Old Age	Going to a Party	Drugs
Airplanes	Gossip & Rumors	Earthquakes
Amusement Parks	Habits	Easter
Anger	Happiness	Education
Animals & Pets	Have You Ever ...	Encouragement
Annoying Things	Health	English Literature &
Arguing	Healthy Lifestyle	Books
Art	Hobbies	English study
The Art of	Holidays:	Entertainment
Conversation	Holidays	Environment &
Bags and Purses	April Fool's Day	Pollution
Baseball	Christmas	Everyday Questions
Basketball	Halloween	Eye Contact
Beach	Saint Patrick's	Facebook
Beauty & Physical	Day	Fads & Trends
Attractiveness	Thanksgiving	Faith & Faithlessness
Behavior	After a Vacation	Family
Birthdays	Valentine's Day	Family & Alternative
Body Language	Home	Lifestyles
Books & Reading	Homeless	Homework
Bullfighting	Hometowns	Honesty &
Business	Cloning	Truthfulness
Cars & Driving	Clothes & Fashion	How Long...?
Celebrities	College	How often do you...?
China & the World	Colors / Colours	Humor
Change	Comics	If You Were...?
Charity	Community	Immigration
Cheating	Commuting	Internet
Childbirth	Complaining	Inventions
Childhood	Computers	Job Interview
Children	Conflict	Jobs & Occupations
Chores	Corruption	Jokes
Cities	Countries	Languages
Classrooms	Creativity	Leaders & Leadership
Food & Eating	Crime	Learning a Foreign
Free Time & Hobbies	Culture	Language
Friends	Cultural Shock &	My Life so Far
Fruits & Vegetables	Adapting to Canada	Likes & Dislikes
Future	Dangers	Living Arrangements
Gambling	Dating	& Dream House
Garage sale	Death & Dying	Love, Dating &
Gardening	Diets	Marriage
Gay Community	Disabilities &	Machines
Gender Roles	Handicaps	Makeup, Lotions &
Generation Gap	Disaster	Skin Care
Gestures	Disaster Preparation	Manners

Marriage	Service Industry	United States
Martial Arts	Silly Questions	Leadership
Meaning of Life &	Single Life	
Reasons for Living	Sleep	Vegetarian
Meeting People	Smoking	Volunteer Work
Memory	Social Problems	War
Midlife Crisis	Social Networking	Weather
Mind, Body & Health	Sports	Weddings
Money & Shopping	Standardized Exams	Weekends
Motivation	Stereotypes	What if...?
Movie Industry	Stress	What would you...?
Movies	Super Heroes in	When did you first...?
Moving to Another	Comics	Famous People
Country	Supernatural, Ghosts	Fashion
Music	& Superstitions	Favorites
Names	Talk About Four	Fears
Neighbor Complaints	Things	Feelings
Neighborhood	Talk About Three	Films in Your own
News	Things	Language
New Media	Teachers	Fire Safety
New Year's Day	Teenagers	First Dates
Plagiarism	Telepathy	New Year's
Plans	Telephones	Resolutions
Police	Television	
Politics	Tell me about...?	Dreams, Daydreams
Pope John II	Terror	& Nightmares
Possessions	Texting	
Poverty	Time	Olympics
Prejudices	Tipping	Parenting
Privacy	Trade Fairs, County	Going to a Party
Procrastination	Fairs & Industrial	Planning a Party
Race	Exhibitions	Personality
Religion	Traffic Accidents	Photography
House Renovation	Transportation	When was the last...?
	Trauma	White Lies
Restaurants & Eating	Travel	Who is the greatest...?
Out	Tsunami	Wishes
	Two	World Peace
Nursing Homes &	Unemployment	Would you ever...?
Retirement	The Unexplained	Would you rather...?
Communities	United States	
Retirement	University	Drills
	Moving to the United	Are You Good At
Safety Inside &	States	...?
Outside of Home	About the United	Days of the Week
	States	How do you...?
School		Months of the
Science & Technology	United States	Year
Secrets	Geography	
Self-employment		

## **Two Lies and One Truth**

Tell the groups three things. Two of them should be lies and only one the truth. Can you find out the truth??

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- Your high school days.
- How to cook something.
- A great vacation you had.
- A really exciting day in your life.
- Your hobby.
- What you did last weekend.
- Something new in Guangzhou- your opinion about it.
- A dream you remember.
- The most beautiful place you've ever been.
- A book you read.
- A movie you saw.
- Music that you like to listen to.
- Something that you'd like to try once in your life- why?
- A subject you liked (or didn't like).
- An unusual or funny story.
- The best hotel/inn you've ever stayed in.
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## What would you do if...

What would you do if...

-you had 1 billion yen?

-you were a genius in science?

-you got a terrible haircut?

-you took a bus and forgot your money?

-you found 20,000 yen?

-you had your new bike stolen?

-you had to give a speech in front of 500 people?

-your friend was angry with you?

-you broke your friend's cell phone?

-you got into trouble for something you didn't do?

**1 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) to ride a bike**
- (b) to swim**
- (c) to drive**
- (d) to use a computer**

**2 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) on instruction manual**
- (b) a recipe**
- (c) a road map**
- (d) your teacher's explanations**

**3 Who is it most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) a parent or a child**
- (b) a teacher or a student**
- (c) a woman or a man**

**4 Which are the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) religious laws or state laws**
- (b) your conscience or your desires**
- (c) your parents or your teachers**

**5 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) intelligence**
- (b) interest**
- (c) laughter**
- (d) surprise**
- (e) sympathy**

**6 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) give or take**
- (b) listen or talk**
- (c) praise or criticise**
- (d) speak in public or confide in private**

**7 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) newspaper**
- (b) novels**
- (c) poetry**
- (d) religious texts**

**8 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) friendship or love**

- (b) happiness or wealth**
- (c) intelligence or beauty**
- (d) a successful marriage or successful career**

**9 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) a secret**
- (b) a vow**
- (c) one's health**
- (d) youth**
- (e) principles**

**10 Which is the most difficult to ..... ?**

- (a) rejection in love**
- (b) loss of all possessions through an earthquake**
- (c) never having one's prayers answered**
- (d) death of a close relative or friend**