



GETTING TO KNOW SOMEONE



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People you know

Match the words on the left with their definitions on the right:

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| 1. close friend | a. a friend of two people who may or may not know each other |
| 2. colleague | b. a person who is connected to you by blood |
| 3. acquaintance | c. a person who is in the same class as you at school |
| 4. classmate | d. a person who shares an apartment with you |
| 5. flatmate | e. a person who works with you |
| 6. stranger | f. a person who you do not know |
| 7. mutual friend | g. a person who you have met but do not know well |
| 8. relative | h. a person who you know very well and who you like a lot |

Now complete the sentences below with appropriate words from above.

I don't know him that well. He's just an _____¹.

My _____² never does any cleaning. It's very annoying.

My grandfather came from Greece, and I have many _____³ living there at the moment.

I can talk to her about any problem. We are _____⁴.

One of my _____⁵ was on sick leave, so the manager gave me some additional duties.

"How do you two know each other?" "We met through a _____⁶."

Charlie forgot to bring his coursebook, so he had to borrow one from a _____⁷.

I've never seen him before. He is a complete _____⁸.



2

Getting to know someone

Audio



Listen to an extract of a conversation between Simon and Alice. Tick the topics that they talk about.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> origin/birth | <input type="checkbox"/> work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hobbies/interests | <input type="checkbox"/> family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> travel | <input type="checkbox"/> studies |

Listen again and complete the questions. Put them into the table below.

Simon: So, where do _____¹?

Alice: Well, I was born in Bristol, but my mother is from Spain originally.

Simon: Really? _____² in Spain?

Alice: In Madrid. _____³?

Simon: No I haven't, but I did have a wonderful holiday in Barcelona last summer. What _____⁴?

Alice: I work as a tour guide for foreign visitors to London. And you?

Simon: I'm an English teacher.

Alice: An English teacher? Do you _____⁵?

Simon: Yes, I do. It allows me to travel a lot and I really enjoy visiting new places. I spent last year teaching in Korea.

Alice: Korea? Wow, that sounds interesting.

Simon: Yes, it was. Right now, I'm back home on my summer break. _____⁶?

Alice: Yes, when I can. I especially love hot countries.

Simon: _____⁷ Italy?

Alice: Yes, I have actually, several times. I went there last summer. The weather and the food were just fantastic.

Simon: Yes, I enjoy good weather too. It's a pity we don't get much here.

Origin/birth	Where do you come from?
Work	
Travel	



3

Getting to know someone

Audio



Now listen to a conversation between James, an American from Seattle, and Eriko, a tourist from Japan. Tick the topics that they talk about.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> hobbies/interests | <input type="checkbox"/> family |
| <input type="checkbox"/> the weather | <input type="checkbox"/> study/languages |
| <input type="checkbox"/> current visit | <input type="checkbox"/> politics |

Listen again to the dialogue and try to complete the questions:

James: So, Eriko, _____¹ Seattle?

Eriko: Yes, it is.

James: When _____² here?

Eriko: I got here on Monday.

James: On Monday? And how long _____³?

Eriko: Just a week.

James: Oh, that's a shame. You'll need much more time to get to know the city properly. Where _____⁴?

Eriko: At the Bridge Hotel. Do you know it?

James: Yes, I've heard it's very nice. And how long _____⁵ English?

Eriko: Oh, about ten years. In Japan, I have a teacher from New York. Have you been there?

James: No, not yet, but I have a few friends from there.

Eriko: So what _____⁶?

James: Well, I like listening to music and playing the guitar. In the summer, I also really enjoy water sports like wind surfing and scuba diving. How about you? _____⁷?

Eriko: Yes, I do aikido.

James: Oh really? Are you any good?

Put the questions into the table below:

Hobbies/interests	
Study/languages	
Current visit	



Study all the questions in this exercise and Exercise 2. Which question(s) ask about...

1. general facts about a person?
2. somebody's experiences?
3. an activity that started in the past and continues up to now?
4. a temporary situation in the present?
5. a past event?

4

Showing interest

Study the conversations in Exercise 2 and 3. How do the speakers show interest in what the other person is saying? Tick the techniques that you notice.

They use expressions such as 'Really?', 'That sounds interesting', etc.

They use repetition, e.g. 'An English teacher?', 'Korea?', 'On Monday?'

They ask questions such as 'Whereabouts in the States?', 'Do you enjoy your work?', etc.

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Role play

In pairs, practise getting to know each other, using language from this lesson. Remember to show interest in what your partner is saying.