

Conversation Starters

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Random Conversation Starters

- "If you had any superpower, what would it be?"
- "If you could meet anyone dead or alive who would it be?"
- "I can tell you are a deep person. I bet you have some pretty big ambitions."
- "What kind of animal am I?"
- "You have this really artistic vibe. I bet you are an artist. Come on show me some of your work."
- "If you could have dinner with anyone, dead or alive, who would it be?"
- "What did you think that was going to be amazing but turned out to be terrible?"
- "Do you sing in the shower?"
- "What do YOU think you're much better at than you really are?"
- "Are you a good dancer?"
- "What's your favourite Netflix show?"
- "If there was a movie made about your life so far, what would it be called?"
- "What is your favourite family tradition?"
- "Name one bad habit that you have"
- "When was the last time you told a lie?"
- "If you could only watch one movie for the rest of your life, what would it be?"
- "What's the most embarrassing story from your childhood?"
- "What is your biggest style advice?"
- "Have you ever googled yourself?"
- "What's your favourite emoji?"
- "Hey, I'm bored. Let's go rob a bank!"
- "I think you have a confession to make..."
- "I just realized what animal you remind me of..."
- (When someone looks bored): "Are you still alive?"
- "I'm really picky about who I hang out with so tell me one cool thing about you!"
- "Hey, I'm bored. Let's have a thumb war!"
- "What do you do to get rid of stress?"
- "What's something you're obsessed with?"
- "Who's your favourite actor?"
- "What's your favourite way to waste time?"
- "You look like a pet person! Do you have any pets? What are their names?"
- "What are you going to do this weekend?"
- "What did you do on your last vacation?"
- "Are you very active or do you prefer to just relax in your free time?"
- "What do you do when you hang out with your friends?"
- "Who is your oldest friend? Where did you meet them?"
- "If you had an intro music, what song would it be?"
- "What were you really into when you were a kid?"
- "What three words best describe you?"
- "What would be your perfect weekend?"
- "Have you ever saved an animal's life? How about a person's life?"
- "What's your favourite number? Why?"
- "What do you think of tattoos? Do you have any?"
- "Are you a very organized person?"
- "How often do you stay up past 3 a.m.?"
- "What's your favourite season? Why?"

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- "Which recent news story is the most interesting?"
- "Which is more important, a great car or a great house? Why?"
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- "How should success be measured? By that measurement, who is the most successful person you know?"
- "What is your guilty pleasure?"
- "Was there ever an event in your life that defied explanation?"
- "If you could learn the answer to one question about your future, what would the question be?"
- "What trends did you follow when you were younger?"
- "What do you do to improve your mood when you are in a bad mood?"
- "What is the silliest fear you have?"
- "What are some things you want to accomplish before you die?"
- "What is the best room in your house? Why?"
- "What smell brings back great memories?"
- "What makes you nervous?"
- "Who, besides your parents, had the biggest impact on your life?"
- "What weird or useless talent do you have?"
- "Who would be the worst person to be stuck in an elevator with? How about the best person to be stuck in an elevator with?"
- "Where do you see yourself in 5 years?"
- "Have you ever been told you look like ____?"
- "Are you a family type of person?"
- "What was the best birthday wish or gift you've ever received?"

TO SOMEONE WHO DANCES WELL

- "That's so interesting. How did you get into <hip-hop> dancing?"
- "I bet you feel really alive and free when you are dancing on stage?"
- "What is it about dancing that you love so much?"
- "I've never tried it, but it seems so fun. Have you ever danced on top of a table or a bar?"

INTERESTING CONVERSATION STARTERS

- "Time freezes for everyone but you for one day. What do you do?"
- "If you could call up anyone in the world and have a one-hour conversation, who would you call?"
- "You have to relive one day of your life forever. Which day do you choose?"
- "If your mind was an island, what would it look like?"
- "What flavour of ice cream do you wish existed?"
- "What does your own personal hell look like? How about your own personal heaven?"
- "A portal to another world opens in front of you. You don't know how long it will stay open or if you'll be able to get back after you go through. What do you do?"
- "If you had a personal mascot, what would your mascot be?"
- "You find a remote that can rewind, fast forward, stop and start time. What do you do with it?"
- "If you were a king / queen, what would your throne look like?"
- "If you were on the run from the police for a crime you didn't commit, where would you go?"

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- "What's the funniest TV series you have seen?"
- "Which TV show do you want your life to be like?"
- "How have TV shows changed over the years?"
- "What's the best sitcom past or present?"
- "What's the most underrated or overrated TV show?"
- "What do you think about reality TV? Why is it so popular?"
- "How often do you binge watch shows?"
- "What cartoons did you watch as a child?"

FOOD CONVERSATION STARTERS

- "What is your favourite food?"
- "Do you like spicy food? Why or why not? What is the spiciest thing you have ever eaten?"
- "What foods do you absolutely hate?"
- "What food do you know you shouldn't eat but can't help yourself?"
- "Does government have a place in regulating food? To what extent should government regulate food?"
- "When was the last time you had a food fight?"
- "What do you get every time you go grocery shopping?"
- "If your life was a meal, what would kind of meal would it be?"
- "What do you think of buffets?"
- "What would you want your last meal to be if you were on death row?"
- "What food looks disgusting but tastes delicious?"

MUSIC CONVERSATION STARTERS

- "What song always puts you in a good mood?"
- "Which do you prefer, popular music or relatively unknown music?"
- "What was the last song you listened to?"
- "What is your favourite movie soundtrack?"
- "Are there any songs that always bring a tear to your eye?"
- "Do you like going to concerts? Why or why not? What was the last concert you went to?"
- "Who was the first band or musician you were really into? Do you still like them?"
- "Records, tapes, CDs, MP3s. Which did you grow up with?"
- "What bands or types of music do you listen to when you exercise?"
- "Do you like classical (or jazz or country) music?"
- "What's the best way to discover new music?"
- "How has tech changed the music industry?"

BOOK CONVERSATION STARTERS

- "What was the last book you read?"
- "What book has had the biggest impact on your life?"
- "What was your favourite book as a child?"
- "Do you prefer physical books, audiobooks or Kindle books?"
- "What is the longest book you have read?"

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“What was the worst book you had to read for school? How about the best book you had to read for school?”

“What book genres do you like to read?”

“Do you prefer fiction or nonfiction books?”

“What book has influenced you the most?”

“What book has had the biggest effect on the modern world?”

“Do you think people read more or less books now than 50 years ago?”

“How fast do you read?”

EDUCATION CONVERSATION STARTERS

“What are some good and bad things about the education system in your country?”

“What do you think of online education?”

“How can governments make education more efficient?”

“What do you think of standardized tests?”

“How can technology improve education? Can it hurt education?”

“Are bigger or small schools better?”

“Is teaching a skill that can be taught?”

“What will the future of education be?”

“What do you think of home-schooling?”

“How has the education you received changed your life?”

“What or who has taught you most of the information you use on a regular basis?”

RESTAURANT CONVERSATION STARTERS

“What is the worst restaurant you have ever eaten at?”

“What restaurant do you eat at most?”

“What’s the worst fast food restaurant?”

“What is the best restaurant in your area?”

“Would you eat at a restaurant that was really dirty if the food was amazing?”

“What kind of interior do you like a restaurant to have?”

“If you opened a restaurant, what kind of food would you serve?”

“What was your favourite restaurant when you were in university? How about when you were a child?”

“What is the strangest themed restaurant you have heard of?”

“What is the fanciest restaurant you have eaten at?”

“What is the most disgusting thing you have heard about that happened at a restaurant?”

MOVIE CONVERSATION STARTERS

“Do you prefer to watch movies in the theatre or at home?”

“What’s the worst movie you have seen recently?”

“What’s the strangest movie you have ever seen?”

“What is the most overrated movie?”

“What’s your favourite genre of movies?”

“What movie scene choked you up the most?”

“Do you like documentaries? Why / why not?”

“When was the last time you went to a movie theatre?”

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- “Do movies have the same power as books to change the world?”
- “Which do you prefer? Books or movies?”
- “Do you like horror movies? Why / why not?”

APP CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “What are the three best apps on your phone?”
- “What’s the most addictive mobile game you have played?”
- “Let’s say an app mysteriously appears on your phone that does something amazing. What does it do?”
- “How many apps do you have on your phone?”
- “What is the most annoying app you have tried?”
- “What is the strangest app you have heard of or tried?”
- “Which app has helped society the most? Which one has hurt society the most?”
- “What is the most useful app on your phone?”
- “What apps have changed your life a lot?”
- “What do app makers do that really annoys you?”

PHONE CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “How often do you check your phone?”
- “Do you always have to have the latest phone?”
- “What was your first smart phone? How did you feel when you got it?”
- “What is the most annoying thing about your phone?”
- “What kind of case do you have for your phone? Why did you choose it?”
- “Do you text more or call more? Why?”
- “What will phones be like in 10 years?”
- “How do you feel if you accidentally leave your phone at home?”
- “What do you wish your phone could do?”

SPORTS CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “What sports do you like to watch?”
- “Who are some of your favourite athletes?”
- “Which sports do you like to play?”
- “Which sport is the most exciting to watch? Which is the most boring to watch?”
- “Do athletes deserve the high salaries they receive?”
- “What is the hardest sport to excel at?”
- “Who are the 3 greatest athletes of all time?”
- “What defines a sport? Is fishing a sport? How about video game tournaments?”
- “Why do you think sports are common across almost all cultures present and past?”
- “What do you think the oldest sport still being played is?”
- “How much time do you spend watching sports in a week?”
- “Do you play sports video games? Which ones? Is playing the video game or sport more fun? Why?”

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TRAVEL CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “Have you travelled to any countries in Oceania? Which ones?”
- “Where is the most relaxing place you have been?”
- “Where is the most awe-inspiring place you have been?”
- “Do you prefer traveling alone or with a group?”
- “Talk about some of the interesting people you have met while traveling.”
- “Where would you like to travel next?”
- “What was the most over hyped place you’ve travelled to?”
- “What’s the best way to travel? (Plane, car, train, etc.)”
- “What’s the best thing about traveling? How about the worst thing?”
- “How do you think traveling to a lot of different countries changes a person?”
- “What is the longest plane trip you have taken?”
- “What do you think of stay-cations? (Vacationing and seeing tourist attractions where you live.)”
- “Do you prefer to go off the beaten path when you travel?”
- “Where do you get your recommendations for what to do and where to stay when you travel?”
- “What is the worst hotel you have stayed at? How about the best hotel?”

HOLIDAY CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “If you could make a holiday, what would it be like? What traditions would it have? What would people eat on your holiday?”
- “What is the biggest holiday for your family?”
- “Do you wish there were more or less holidays? Why?”
- “If you had to get rid of a holiday, which would you get rid of? Why?”
- “What is your favourite holiday?”
- “What kinds of food do you usually eat on your favourite holiday?”
- “Does having a day off for a holiday increase or decrease productivity at work?”
- “What holidays have been over-commercialized?”
- “If some of the lesser known holidays were commercialized, what would the commercialization look like?”
- “What do you know about the history of some holidays?”

TECHNOLOGY CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “What is your favourite piece of tech that you own?”
- “What piece of tech is really frustrating to use?”
- “What was the best invention of the last 50 years?”
- “Does tech simplify life or make it more complicated?”
- “Which emerging tech are you most excited about?”
- “What problems will tech solve in the next 5 years? What problems will it create?”
- “Will technology save the human race or destroy it?”
- “What piece of tech would look like magic or a miracle to people in medieval Europe?”
- “What technology from a science fiction movie would you most like to have?”
- “What sci-fi movie or book would you like the future to be like?”
- “What do you think the next big technological advance will be?”

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CLOTHES / FASHION CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “Do you care about fashion? What would you call your style?”
- “What is the best pair of shoes you have ever owned?”
- “What is your favourite shirt?”
- “What is the most embarrassing piece of clothing you own?”
- “Does fashion help society in any way?”
- “What is a fashion trend you are really glad went away?”
- “Who do you think has the biggest impact on fashion trends: actors and actresses, musicians, fashion designers, or consumers?”
- “What old trend is coming back these days?”
- “If you didn’t care at all what people thought of you, what clothes would you wear?”
- “What is the most comfortable piece of clothing you own?”
- “How do clothes change how the opposite sex views a person?”

GOALS CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “What is the craziest, most outrageous thing you want to achieve?”
- “What are some goals you have already achieved?”
- “What personal goals do you have?”
- “What do you hope to achieve in your professional life?”
- “Have your parents influenced what goals you have?”
- “Do you usually achieve goals you set? How come?”
- “What is the best way to stay motivated and complete goals?”
- “What are some goals you have failed to accomplish?”
- “When do you want to retire? What do you want to do when you retire?”
- “What are your goals for the next two years?”
- “How have your goals changed over your life?”
- “How much do you plan for the future?”
- “How do you plan to make the world a better place?”

SEASONS CONVERSATION STARTERS

- “What’s the most refreshing thing on a hot summer day?”
- “What’s the best thing to do on a cold winter day?”
- “Where is the nicest place you have been to in fall?”
- “What is your favourite thing to eat or drink in winter?”
- “Do you prefer summer or winter activities?”
- “What do you like to do in spring?”
- “Did your family take a lot of vacations when you were young?”
- “Do you feel like fall and spring are getting shorter?”
- “Which season are you most active in?”
- “Is it better to live where there are four seasons or where one season takes up most of the year?”