

Lesson 1

Agree or disagree?

First impression is key.

In this unit you will
practise how to:

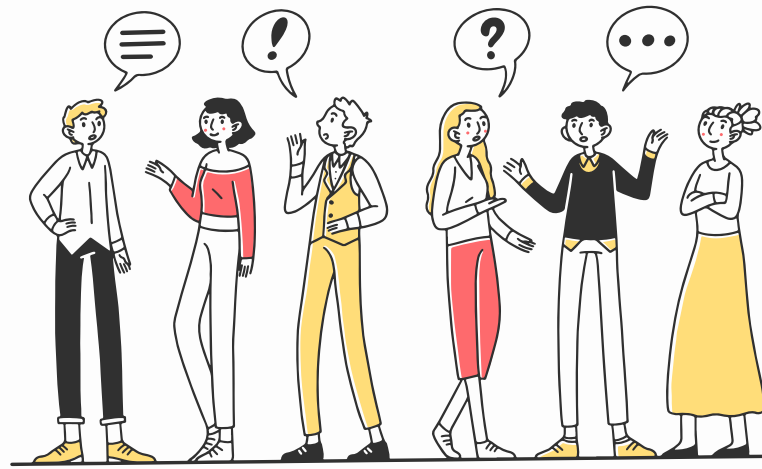
- introduce yourself and other people
- ask about jobs, hobbies and places
- keep a conversation going
- make a good first impression
- sound natural in small talk

MEETING PEOPLE and SMALL TALK

WARM UP: Talk about the picture. Say: who, where, what, why, etc Speculate with: might, must, can't. Imagine what might happen next. Speak for minimum 60 secs



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CONNECT: let's talk



Answer. If you are a self-learner - use your phone for recording yourself.

Do you enjoy meeting new people? Why?

What do you usually talk about with someone new? Why?

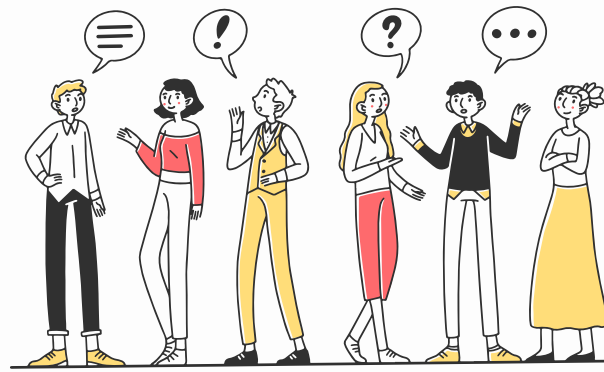
What questions do you usually ask? Why?

When was the last time you met someone new?

What questions you never ask when you just met someone? Why?

What's the best topic for small talk? Why?

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Vocabulary Box:

English

introduce→**ˌɪntrəˈdjuːs**
colleague→**ˈkɒliːg**
neighbour→**ˈneɪbə**
hometown→**ˈheɪmˈtaʊn**
occupation→**ˌɒkjʊˈpeɪʃn**
engineer→**ˌɛn(d)ʒɪˈnɪə**
accountant→**əˈkaʊnt(ə)nt**
project→**ˈprɒdʒekt**
free time=time off
recently→**ˈriːsntli**
friendly→**ˈfrendli**
outgoing→**ˈaʊtgəʊɪŋ**
quiet→**ˈkwaɪət**
confident→**ˈkɒnfɪd(ə)nt**

Polish

przedstawić się
kolega z pracy
sąsiad
miasto rodzinne
zawód
inżynier
księgowy
projekt
czas wolny
ostatnio
przyjazny
otwarty
spokojny
pewny siebie

DISCOVER: vocabulary & grammar

Useful Expressions:

Read them aloud:

- Nice to meet you.
- It's great to finally meet you.
- What do you do?
- Where are you from?
- What do you do in your free time?
- That sounds interesting!
- Really?
- Tell me more.
- How long have you lived here?
- It was nice talking to you.

Grammar Focus

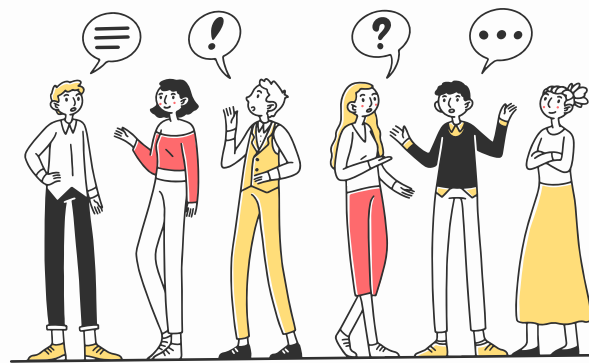
Present Simple for
introductions:

- I work in marketing.
- She lives in Warsaw.
- We usually meet online.

Wh- questions:

- Where do you live?
- What do you do?
- Why did you choose this job?
- How often do you travel?

Lesson 2



PRACTICE: write and say



1. Match words with definitions:

1.colleague

a. what you do for a living

2.hometown

b. friendly and likes people

3.occupation

c. someone you work with

4.recently

d. where you were born

5.outgoing

e. not long ago



1 2.... 3.... 4..... 5.....

2. Ask 4 wh-questions with the words above.
example: What's your occupation?

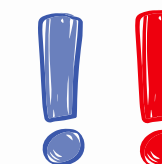
3. Complete with words from Vocabulary Box: :

1. I work with a great team. My _____ is from Spain.
2. I'm an _____, I design and build machines.
3. My _____ is Kraków. I'm a massive fan of this city.
4. In my _____, I like sailing and playing watching real crime docs.
5. We are working on a new _____ at the moment. Loads of work!
6. I _____ moved to a big city and I just love it!
7. He's pretty _____. He keeps himself to himself and doesn't talk.
8. She is very _____ and always with a smile on her face.
9. She is pretty _____ about her skills and is not afraid to speak up.
10. Our new _____ moved here last week. He's to come round today.

4. Make the sentences true for you. Tell your partner.

5. Build questions. Ask and answer. Walk and talk:

1. live/where/you/do/?
2. hobby/your/what/is/?
3. do/weekends/what/on/you/do/?
4. have/recently/you/bought/anything/expensive/?



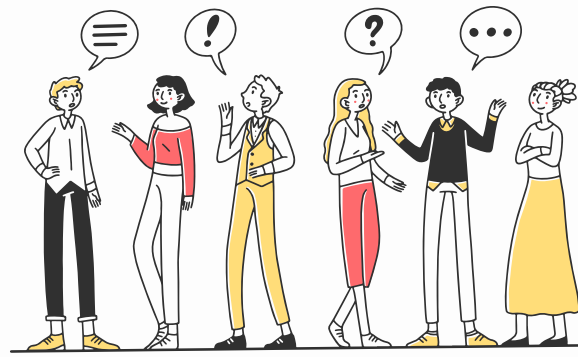
Smart tip:

Learn phrases
and collocations,
not only separate
words:

- do for a living
- not long ago,
- Tell me more.
- Is that right?

Write 3
sentences with
the phrases from
the lesson.

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6. Complete the dialogue:

Nice to meet you What do Where
That sounds interesting Tell me more

Somewhere, at a conference:

Anna: Hi! _____

Tom: Nice to meet you too!

Anna: _____ are you from?

Tom: I'm from Cambridge, in the UK.

Anna: _____

Tom: I work on different projects. Busy.

Anna: _____. I've always wanted to visit Cambridge.

Tom: Let's stay in touch then.

7. Read the dialogue aloud, 3 times. Take turns.



PRACTICE: speak and rewire



8. Read the dialogue aloud. Next replace the underlined words with other:

Paris, an international high-tech conference.

Lisa: Hi, I'm Lisa. Nice to meet you.

Mark: Hi, Lisa! I'm Mark. Nice to meet you, too.

Lisa: What do you do?

Mark: I'm an IT project manager. What about you?

Lisa: I work in marketing at a tech company.

Mark: Nice. Do you like it?

Lisa: Yeah, but the workload is no joke.

Mark: I hear you. My job keeps me busy, too.

Lisa: Yeah. Where are you from?

Mark: I'm from Poland but I'm living in Berlin now.

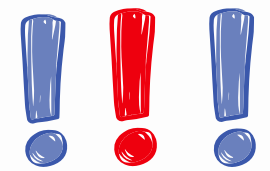
Lisa: Oh, nice! How long have you lived there?

Mark: For 3 years now. I'm enjoying it. There's so much to do there after work.

Lisa: I hear you. A coffee tonight?

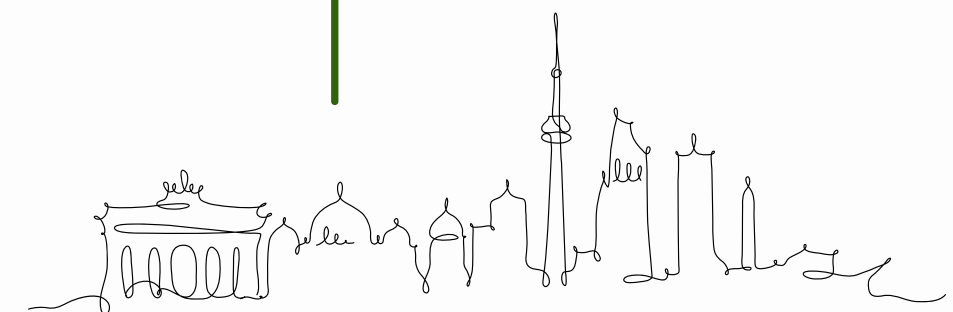
Mark: Sounds perfect. I need caffeine to survive!

9. Practice the dialogue in pairs. Change turns.

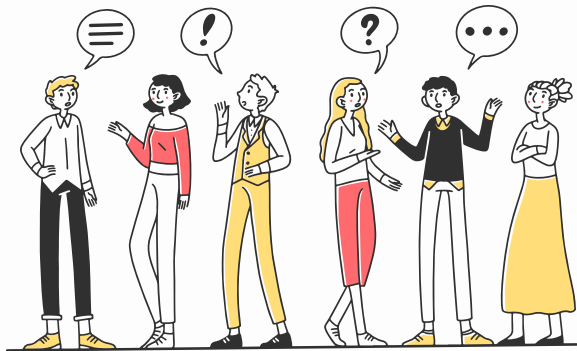


Rewire Tip:

Przez następne 3 dni
opowiadaj o sobie,
przed lustrem, tak
jakbyś rozmawiał/a z
inną osobą. Używaj 6
różnych zdań z lekcji.
Powtarzaj 3 razy.



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PRACTICE: speak & rewire



10. Role play:

You are at a business event. Create a dialogue:
Meeting a new person. Use all vocabulary.

Talk about:

- a. your job
- b. your hobbies
- c. your hometown
- d. how long you have lived in the city
- e. what you like about your job
- f. what you don't like about your job
- g. next meeting

11. Practise the dialogue aloud, 3 times.
Use natural intonation.

12. DISCUSSION. Discuss with group or record your answers:

1. Is small talk easy or hard for you? Why?
2. What topics are safe when you meet someone for the first time? Why?
3. Do people in Poland enjoy small talk? Why?
4. What makes a good first impression? Why?
5. How can English help you meet new people?
6. Is confidence important for first impression? Why?

13. Write 5 sentences about meeting someone new at work. Use the vocabulary and grammar from the lesson.

English Rewired Challenge:



For the next 2 days
introduce yourself
in English out loud,
in front of a mirror.



Reflection:

- Today I learnt
- The most useful for me is / are
- I still want to practice because
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