

## B1.1 Getting to Know You

### You can learn:

- How to form questions.
- How to 'get to know' your tandem partner.
- How to talk about your preferences.

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**Read through these people's answers to eight different questions. What were the questions? After guessing, check your answers on Page 3.**



Attribution: Julie 70

**1** *I think the most beautiful area in my country is the countryside around Shropshire. I love the hills, fields and villages.* **2** *The most beautiful place I've visited is Kyoto in Japan because of the gardens, trees and temples. Anne*

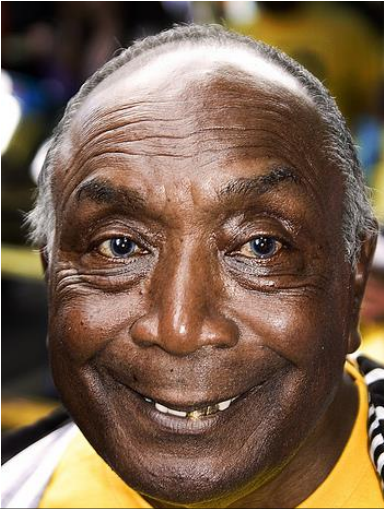


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**3** *The person I admire most is my grandfather because he was the first person in our family to go to university. He grew up in a coal mining village, but he managed to get into university and then later became a teacher. Fred*

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Attribution: Barabeke

**4** I think the best age to get married is probably in your twenties, but not too young because you should have some fun before you have a lot of responsibility.

**5** The ideal number of children in a family I think is two: one girl and one boy. But I was an only child and I was still happy. I never got lonely. **Bob**



Attribution: Jerry Bunkers

**6** The year I was happiest was 2008 because I got married in that year. We moved into a new flat full of hope and optimism. I became pregnant too, with my son – a really good year! **Pam**



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**7** My best friend is called Andy we were at school together and we have a lot in common, so get on really well.

**8** Something that frightens me is high places. I get dizzy and I feel I may faint – horrible! **Yoshi**

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**Now check your answers and then ask and answer the same questions with your partner.**

1. *What is the most beautiful area in your country?*
2. *What is the most beautiful place you have ever visited?*
3. *Who is the person you admire most and why?*
4. *What do you think is the best age to get married? Why?*
5. *What is the ideal number of children to have in a family?*
6. *Which year were you happiest and why?*
7. *Who is your best friend and why?*
8. *What is something that frightens you and why does it frighten you?*

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**Ask and answer questions about your favourite things.**

- What is your favourite leisure activity and how often and where do you do it?
- What is your favourite T.V. programme and what is it about? Why do you like it?
- What is your favourite food and why?
- What is your favourite drink and why?
- What is your favourite kind of music, and who is your favourite musician?

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**Now ask and answer questions about your preferences.**

- Would you rather listen to classical music, jazz, or rock music? Why?
- Would you rather watch a sport, go to a movie, or go to an art gallery? Why?

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**Write a paragraph describing your partner using the information you have discovered through using this topic sheet.**

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***"The friend is  
the man who  
knows all about  
you, and still  
likes you."  
Elbert Hubbard***