

## Talk Time

Ask your partners the following questions. For each question, ask one more *Wh* question. Write the answers in the boxes. Ask the full question, but you may write a short answer.

Questions:	Partner 1	Partner 2	Partner 3
Where are some good places to meet people?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Where did you meet your best friend?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
What's your favorite ice breaker?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Are you shy or outgoing?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Do you feel more comfortable meeting boys or girls?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
How many good friends do you have at this school?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Do you feel more comfortable meeting new people in groups?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
MY QUESTION:			
<i>Wh question</i>			

## 1) Meeting New People

### Warm Up

Read the sentences. Put “T” for True, and “F” for false. Then ask a partner. Are your answers the same?

	True/False YOU	True/ False PARTNER
I love meeting new people.		
It’s difficult for me to break the ice with people.		
I think the best place to meet new people is at work or school.		
When meeting someone for the first time, it’s impolite to ask their age.		
It’s appropriate to ask if someone is married.		
If I want to talk to someone I have never met before, I think it’s fine to first say, “Hi, my name is...”		
If someone I don’t know well asks me, “How are you?” it is O.K. to say the truth: “Not very good, I’m sick.”		
Complaining about something is not a good way to break the ice.		
I feel uncomfortable when strangers begin talking to me.		
It’s easier to talk to new people in my country than in the USA.		

### Conversation

**Michelle:** I wonder if this bus will *ever* come.

**Dominic:** Yeah, it never seems to take this long. Maybe there’s traffic or something.

**Michelle:** Are you a student here at the university?

**Dominic:** Uh huh. I’m studying English at the Language Institute.

**Michelle:** Really? Your English sounds great to me. How long have you been in the U.S?

**Dominic:** Oh? I don’t think so, but I’m learning a lot. I’ve been here four months.

**Michelle:** Wow, you’re brave to come all the way to America to learn English. I’ve never even left New England before!

**Dominic:** Oh, you’re from England?

**Michelle:** No, New England. You know, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts...

**Dominic:** Oh, right! I understand. Look, here comes the bus.