

Tip strip

Celebrations and special occasions

Question 2: Your answer may be 'yes' or 'no', but don't forget to give reasons. For example, you could talk about how you feel on your birthday, what you like to do and who you like to spend it with.

Question 3: Don't spend time thinking about the exact details of a meal you prepared, just talk! Remember that the examiner is only interested in the language you produce. For example, you could talk about whether the meal was a success, where and when it was, and who was invited.

Sport

Question 1: Give examples of activities you do to keep healthy – for example, it could be a sport like running or just walking up the stairs. You can also talk about food and diet, not smoking, etc.

Question 3: If you didn't do any formal sports when you were a child, say why and mention games and physical activities you took part in.

Communication

Question 2: This may be information about people, events, the environment, etc. For example, you could talk about how you like to get information: whether you listen to the news, read newspapers or find the latest news online.

Question 4: You could mention magazines you read about famous people, blogs or tweets. You could give an example of a famous person you like to hear about.

Good morning/afternoon/evening. My name is ... and this is my colleague ...

And your names are?

- Where are you from, (Candidate A)?
- And you, (Candidate B)?

First we'd like to know something about you.

Select one or more questions from any of the following categories, as appropriate.

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- What do you usually do to celebrate New Year?
- Do you like having a party on your birthday? (Why?/Why not?)
- Have you ever cooked a meal for your friends or family?
- What entertainment would you usually have at a party with friends?

Sport

- What do you do to keep healthy?
- Do you like sports competitions? (Why?/Why not?)
- Did you play any sports as a child?
- Do you prefer playing or watching sports (Why?)

Communication

- How often do you use your phone?
- Is it important to keep up with what's happening in the world? (Why?/Why not?)
- What type of television programme do you like most? (Why?)
- Do you like reading about famous people? (Why?/Why not?)