

16 Question Strips

MOTHER'S DAY



- Why do people celebrate Mother's Day?
- When is Mother's Day?
- How do you usually celebrate Mother's Day?
- Is being a good mother easy? Why? / Why not?
- Which is more important: Mother's Day or Father's Day? Why?
- What are some good Mother's Day gifts?
- Should Mother's Day be a holiday? Why? / Why not?
- Can you remember what you did last Mother's Day?
- Is it a good idea to give a Mother's Day card to your mother?
- How can you learn to be a good mother?
- Should we have a Mother's Week? Why? / Why not?
- Do you like Mother's Day? Why? / Why not?
- Do people celebrate Children's Day in your country?
- Should animals have an Animal Mother's Day? Why? / Why not?
- What are three bad things about being a mother?
- What are three good things about being a mother?

Aim Speaking Practice

Level Intermediate to Advanced

- **As a Seated Activity**

Have your students seated in pairs or in groups of three.

Lay the sixteen cut-up questions – face-down – between the students.

Students take turns randomly selecting questions to ask their partner(s). Encourage follow-up questions.

Be sure to set a time frame for your students (try starting with 10 – 15 minutes for 16 questions; you may want to adjust this in later classes). Monitor and assist.

- **As a Standing Activity 1**

Have all your students stand up.

Give one question strip to each student.

Students find a partner and ask their question. Encourage follow-up questions.

After the students have asked each other their questions, have them exchange question strips and find new partners and continue.

Set a time frame as above. Monitor and assist.

- **As a Standing Activity 2**

This activity runs exactly the same as in 'Standing Activity 1' except that students first have about a minute to memorize their question (before placing it in their pocket – it can be used as a prompt if needed).

After each short conversation, students 'mentally exchange' their questions – they must help each other memorize their new questions before setting off to find a new partner.

This activity version is a little challenging, but also lots of fun – and it's great to see all the learning that takes place!

Set a time frame as above. Monitor and assist.