

## Starting a Conversation

1. Greet the person.

Say, "Hi" or "How are you?" the first time you see a person during the day.

2. Ask questions about what the person is doing in the PRESENT SITUATION.

"What are you [doing] [talking about] [eating] [reading]?"

"How do you like this [class, lunch, project, game]?"

"Where did you get the [shirt, hat, sneakers, watch]?"

3. Ask questions about the PAST.

"How was your [day, week, weekend, vacation, holiday]?"

"Did you hear about [what happened in the news, the new TV show, a sports game]?"

4. Questions about the FUTURE.

"What are you going to do [after school, this weekend, this week, for vacation]?"

5. Ask about one of THE PERSON'S INTERESTS.

"Have you been [doing a favorite activity, playing a favorite game, watching a favorite TV show, working on a favorite project] lately?"

6. Remember to ask follow-up questions and make on-topic comments.

WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY, HOW, WHAT ELSE ...?

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### Practice

Who will I try this with? \_\_\_\_\_

When? \_\_\_\_\_

What happened? \_\_\_\_\_

How did I do? \_\_\_\_\_