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Small Talk, Real Connections

OPEN A CONVERSATION

01 Start with something simple

A friendly question is enough to begin.
Başlamak için samimi bir soru yeterli.

Is this your first time here?

Buraya ilk kez mi geliyorsun?

At a class or group activity

How is your day going?

Günün nasıl geçiyor?

With a classmate or colleague

Do you live near here?

Buralarda mı oturuyorsun?

When the place is a natural topic

What do you like doing at weekends?

Hafta sonları ne yapmayı seversin?

After you have said hello

A Choose the correct word

Do / does: routines and interests. Is / are: situations and descriptions.
Alışkanlıklarda do/does; durum ve tanımlamalarda is/are kullan.

1. Do / Are you enjoy walking?
2. Is / Does this your first class?
3. Do / Does your friend live nearby?
4. Are / Do you new to the group?
5. What do / does you do after work?
6. Where is / does the meeting room?

Choose a topic that feels comfortable. You can say, “I’d rather talk about something else.”
Rahat hissettiğin bir konu seç. Konuyu değiştirmek istemen normal.

KEEP IT GOING

02 Give the conversation room

Answer, add one detail, and ask a question back.
Cevap ver, bir ayrıntı ekle, soru sor.

BEFORE AN ENGLISH CLASS

MINA	Hi, I'm Mina. Is this your first class?
LEO	Yes, it is. I'm Leo. How about you?
MINA	It's my second week. I usually come on Tuesdays.
LEO	Do you live near here?
MINA	Yes, about ten minutes away. And you?
LEO	No, I take the bus. What do you like about the class?
MINA	The pair work. It's a good way to meet people.
LEO	That sounds nice. I like working with a partner, too.

> **A SHORT ANSWER CAN GROW**
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> "Yes." → "Yes, I do. I live near the park. How about you?"
> Kısa cevabına küçük bir ayrıntı ve karşı soru ekle.

How about you?	What do you like about it?	How often do you go?
Peki ya sen?	Onun nesini seviyorsun?	Ne sıklıkla gidiyorsun?

B Read and answer

1. Is Mina new to the class today?
2. How does Leo travel to the class?
3. What does Mina enjoy about the class?
4. Find two phrases that ask a question back.

SHARE A LITTLE

03 Talk about a recent day

Use simple past forms for a finished day.
Bitmiş bir günü anlatırken past simple kullan.

A MONDAY MORNING CONVERSATION

OWEN	How was your weekend?
SELIN	It was good. I went to the market on Saturday.
OWEN	Nice. Did you buy anything?
SELIN	Yes, some vegetables. Then I made soup at home.
OWEN	That sounds good. Did you go out on Sunday?
SELIN	No, I stayed at home and watched a film. How about you?
OWEN	I met a friend for lunch. We tried a new café.
SELIN	Was the food good?
OWEN	Yes, it was. I really liked the sandwiches.

Useful past forms

go → went

make → made

meet → met

buy → bought

stay → stayed

try → tried

After did, use the base form

Correct:
Did you go out?

Incorrect:
Did you went out?

Did sorusunda fiil yalın biçimde kalır.

C Complete the questions

Use: was · did · go · buy · meet. Use each word once.

1. How _____ your weekend?
2. _____ you enjoy the film?
3. Did you _____ to the market?
4. What did you _____ there?
5. Who did you _____ for lunch?

REPAIR AND CLOSE

04 Ask for help and say goodbye

You can keep a conversation friendly, even when you miss a word.

WHEN YOU NEED HELP

Sorry, could you say that again?

Pardon, tekrar söyler misin?

Could you speak a little more slowly?

Biraz daha yavaş konuşabilir misin?

What does “nearby” mean?

“Nearby” ne demek?

WHEN IT’S TIME TO GO

It was nice talking to you.

Seninle konuşmak güzeldi.

I have to go now. See you next week!

Şimdi gitmem gerekiyor. Haftaya görüşürüz!

> Nora: Do you live nearby?
> Emre: Sorry, what does “nearby” mean?
> Nora: It means “not far from here”.
> Emre: Oh, yes. I live near the station.

D Choose the useful reply

1. You did not hear the question.

a. Could you say that again? / b. I have to go now.

2. You do not understand one word.

a. How about you? / b. What does it mean?

3. The other person is speaking too fast.

a. Where do you live? / b. Could you speak more slowly?

4. You need to leave.

a. It was nice talking to you. / b. What does “nearby” mean?

GUIDED PRACTICE

05 Build a short conversation

Do these without the dialogues first.
Önce diyaloglara bakmadan dene.

E Match the question and reply

Write one letter for each question. / Her soru için bir harf yaz.

1. How is your day going? ____	a. About once a week.
2. Is this your first time here? ____	b. Sure. I said, “Do you live nearby?”
3. What do you do at weekends? ____	c. Good, thanks. I finished work early.
4. How was your weekend? ____	d. Yes, it is. I’m a little nervous.
5. How often do you come here? ____	e. I usually go walking with a friend.
6. Could you say that again? ____	f. It was quiet. I stayed at home.

F Put the conversation in order

The first line is C. Write all six letters: C → ____ → ____ → ____ → ____ → ____

A Ben: Yes, it is. I’m Ben. How about you?

B Ada: Me too. Do you live near here?

C Ada: Hi, I’m Ada. Is this your first time here?

D Ada: It’s my first time, too. I love walking.

E Ada: Yes, I live by the park. Shall we join the group?

F Ben: Yes, about five minutes away. And you?

G Make one answer your own

How is your day going? Add a detail and ask a question back.
Write two or three sentences below, then say them aloud.

SPEAKING PRACTICE

06 Try it in your own words

Work with a partner, or record both voices yourself.
Eşli çalış ya da iki rolü de seslendir.

01 Before a class

You meet a new classmate. Say hello, ask if it is their first class, and talk about one interest.

Yeni bir sınıf arkadaşıyla tanışıyorsun. Bir ilgi alanından söz et.

02 After the weekend

You see a colleague on Monday. Ask about the weekend. Share one thing you did and ask a follow-up question.

Pazartesi bir iş arkadaşınla karşılaşıyorsun. Hafta sonundan söz et.

03 At a walking group

You meet someone at a walking group. Ask a question. Ask them to repeat one sentence, then close the conversation politely.

Yürüyüş grubunda biriyle tanışıyorsun. Tekrar iste ve nazikçe vedalaş.

Plan first, then speak for about one minute

My first question: _____

A detail I can share: _____

My final sentence: _____

AFTER SPEAKING, CHECK

☐ I asked a question. ☐ I added a detail. ☐ I asked a question back.
☐ I used a friendly ending. Circle one phrase to try again next time.

ANSWER KEY

07 Check your answers

Use the explanations, then try the difficult items again.
Açıklamaları oku ve tekrar dene.

A Question forms

1 Do · 2 Is · 3 Does
4 Are · 5 do · 6 is

Use do/does with a main verb: enjoy, live, do. Use is/are to ask about a situation, a description or a location.

C Past questions

1 was · 2 Did · 3 go
4 buy · 5 meet

Use was with “How was your weekend?” After did, use the base verb: go, buy, meet. Do not use went, bought or met after did.

B Before the class

1. No. It is her second week.
2. He takes the bus.
3. She enjoys the pair work.
4. “How about you?” and “And you?” both ask a question back.

D Helpful replies

1 a · 2 b · 3 b · 4 a

Repeat = say it again. Meaning = explain a word. Slowly = change the speed. “It was nice talking to you” is a friendly ending.

E + F

Build the conversation

E: 1 c · 2 d · 3 e
4 f · 5 a · 6 b
F: C → A → D → B → F → E

G · ONE POSSIBLE ANSWER

“It’s going well, thanks. I had lunch with a friend today. How about you?”

Your answer can be different. Include a detail and a question back.

Speaking practice has no single correct answer. Choose familiar words, take your time, and repeat the same situation with one new detail.