

I REMEMBER...

Do you remember ...

- what you did on your last birthday?
- how you were feeling yesterday lunchtime?
- when you got your first mobile phone?
- what you did last Saturday evening?
- where you bought the shoes you're wearing now?
- your first day at school?
- what you did on February 22nd 2015?
- what you ate for dinner the day before yesterday?

Do you think you have good memory?

Do the quiz and find out.

QUIZ ANALYSIS

Mostly "yes"

You have an excellent memory. This is very useful for producing stimulating conversation... and lying.

Mostly "no"

Your memory is very poor. You may be trying to hide some childhood trauma. Consider taking some memory-enhancing drugs or doing hypnotism to find out what really happened.

Mostly "no comment"

You are a discreet, cautious person - this will get you far in life and keep away those nosy, self-opinionated people like the person who wrote this quiz.



Can you remember what you had for breakfast yesterday?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember what you watched on television yesterday?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember when you first fell in love?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember any really good or bad experiences from your childhood?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember your first school?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember how you learnt the facts of life?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember a time when you got really angry?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember visiting the dentist for the first time?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember doing anything naughty as a child?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember playing doctors and nurses with anyone as a child?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember being told off?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you spent a night away from home?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you went on a plane or ship?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you kissed?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember how you learnt about the meaning of death?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the last time you laughed?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember any good jokes?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember when you first drove a car?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you were drunk?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you went on holiday?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

Can you remember the first time you were really frightened?

Yes: _____ No: _____ No comment: _____

An illustration featuring two Polaroid-style photographs. The top photo shows a snow-capped mountain peak against a blue sky. The bottom photo shows a sunset or sunrise over a body of water with a small boat. To the right of the photos, the words "piece of memories" are written in a stylized, orange-red font.



1. Match the words and phrases in bold 1-8 with meanings a-h.

- 1 I have a good memory for names.
 - 2 I have no memory of being a young child.
 - 3 It's hard to **recall** what I was doing this time last week.
 - 4 I find it hard to **memorise** new vocabulary.
 - 5 I'll never forget the first time I went to a football match.
 - 6 Some songs **remind me of** being a child.
 - 7 My last birthday was very **memorable**.
 - 8 Everyone should **bear in mind** the fact that your memory can trick you.
- a easy to remember because something special happened
b learn so that you know it perfectly
c be good at remembering
d make me think of
e not remember an event
f will always remember
g not forget because it may be useful in the future
h remember

2. Change the underlined words and phrases so the sentences are true for you

3. Talk about your memories of the things listed below. Use the expressions from Exercise 1.

things I used to be afraid of
my primary school

places we would go to
for family holidays

food and drink I used to love (or hate)

Christmas being ill

toys and games
I used to love

birthdays

nightmares I used to have



HOMEWORK

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in the box.

forget memorable memorise
memory (x2) mind recall remind

- 1 I have a good _____ for faces but I never remember people's names.
- 2 Your perfume _____ me of those pink flowers in our garden.
- 3 I have to _____ all of these words before my English test next week.
- 4 I can still _____ the first day I met you.
- 5 What did we have for lunch? I've got no _____ of it at all!
- 6 I loved our wedding. It was such a _____ day.
- 7 When you visit Grandad, bear in _____ that he's not very well.
- 8 Don't _____ to buy Mum a birthday present.

Complete the conversations using the prompts in brackets and other words you need.

- 1 A: _____
(you / recall / name) of that hotel we stayed in last week?
B: The King's Hotel, I think.
- 2 A: _____
(this music / remind you / anything)?
B: No, why? Should it?
- 3 A: Well, _____
(that meeting / memorable).
B: Yes, it was but for all the wrong reasons!
- 4 A: How come you can remember my mobile number but I can't?
B: _____
(I / always / good / memory / numbers).
- 5 A: _____
(I / will / never / forget / time) that you called the teacher 'Dad'.
B: Oh yes – that was so embarrassing!
- 6 A: We had this same conversation last week.
B: Did we? _____
(I / no memory / it at all). Sorry!
- 7 A: _____
(None of us / need / memorise / history dates) any more.
B: You're right. We can just look them up online!