

# Making Friends at a Dinner Party

## Discussion

How are you doing?

It was a busy and crazy day.

I almost forgot about the lesson.

Why do you describe your day as crazy?

It's a working day, it was too busy.

What is your job?

I am sales person. I have a small company.

We offer information consulting service.

You are a company's owner.

This is my home office.

What is your favorite?

Color of the sofa matches with the wallpaper.

You like interior design?

Do you like to design interior of a home?

Yes, I do.

What are idioms?

I don't know.

Do you know any idioms?

I still don't understand the meaning of idioms.

What is a small talk?

Small talk is a conversation that is used to pass the time.

e.g. You sit with colleague for a long time in car. It's strange to sit and not say anything. So you might talk about the weather, or something that is not important.

What is the difference between a strange person and a stranger?

My best friend is a strange person. She collects socks.

I talk a lot with strangers.

When you have a small talk, what do you talk about?

What do you like to talk about when you make a small talk?

I like to talk about place of birth, hobbies, education, fitness, reading books, etc.

Talking about emotions is a private issue.

There are some topics that should be avoided?  
Politics, religion, conflicts are the things that you should try to avoid.

You can tell me some information about yourself?  
I come from Serbia, which is a small country in Europe.

Which countries border Serbia?  
Serbia borders Hungary, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Montenegro, etc.

Greece is a popular touristic destination for people from Serbia.

It's a good touristic destination.

It takes maybe 12 hours by car to reach Greece.

What are your hobbies?  
My hobbies are reading, playing guitar, coding, and traveling.

I am 29 years old. I live in a small town, called Sombor.

I have been working as an English teacher. I have been working for seven years. But at Likeshuo I have been working for about two and a half years.

"Rome wasn't built in a day."

Why don't you follow the teacher's direction?  
Why do you oppose my directions?

## **Vocabulary**

### **New words**

1. get on with somebody(expression)
2. take something up(expression)
3. go into something(expression)
4. be into something(verb)
5. bring somebody up(phrasal verb)
6. grow up(phrasal verb)

### **Useful words**

1. gradually(adv.):something is changing slowly, one step at a time. e.g. You can improve your English gradually.
2. particular(adj.):special, selected from a group.
3. involved(adj.):that you are included into something, you are related to something, take part in something. e.g. He is involved in a new scientific research.
4. stranger(noun):person that you don't know.

5. strange person(noun):person who's behavior is not normal, it's unusual.
6. designer(noun):person
7. furniture(noun)
8. interior(adj.):from or of inside
9. design(noun):the way something is arranged or made, related to how to looks.
10. idiom(noun):expression that has different meaning from it's individual words. e.g. It's raining cats and dogs.(It rains heavily)

## **Pronunciation**

### **Words to work on**

1. match
2. mainly
3. much
4. private
5. gradually
6. adult
7. colleagues(coworkers)
8. accent
9. originally
10. architecture
11. practicing
12. ocasionaly
13. involved