

How to talk with people you live with

Check-off worksheets to help children talk with parents, siblings and others

There are several ways to use these worksheets.

1. Have the child put check marks next to the photos they think represent the person's interests.
2. Go over the images one at a time with the child. Explain that the family member probably has many interests that are different from the child's own interests.
3. The sheet "Questions, Comments, Compliments" can be used to set up role plays and actual conversation practice with family members.
4. Have family members fill them out for the child to use as a reference.

I hope these worksheets are useful for you.

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A child / teen I live with. What do they like to talk about? Name of this person: _____

Video games	Computers, tablets	Swimming	Playing an instrument	Movies	Family
Other relatives	Art & Drawing	Friends	Pets	TV	Nature
Phones	Dolls	Listening to Music	Dance	Reading	Shopping
				Weekends	Parks & Playgrounds

An adult I live with. What do they like to talk about? Name of this adult: _____

Video games	Computers, tablets	Swimming	Playing instruments	Movies	Playing sports
Helping people	Art and drawing	Relatives	Pets	Television	Nature
Telephones	Clothes	Listening to music	News	Reading	Shopping
Exercise	Watching sports	Travelling	Weather	Jobs	Babies
Taking photos	Family	Weekends	Collecting	Earning money	Videos

QUESTIONS

- Do you like... What is your favorite...
- What do you think about... Where...
- How did you... When did you...

COMPLIMENTS

- Cool Awesome Interesting
- I like how you... You're good at...
- You know a lot about... I like your...

FRIENDLY COMMENTS

- Tell me something about ...
- I noticed you seem to like...
- I'm wondering about your...
- You said something about...

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An adult I live with. What do they like to talk about?



Name of this adult: _____


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Exercise 	Watching sports 	Travelling 	Weather 	Jobs 	Babies 
Taking photos 	Family 	Weekends 	Collecting 	Earning money 	Videos 
Working in the yard 	Cooking 	Looking nice 	Raising kids 	Restaurants 	Fast food 
Cleaning the home 	Parties 	Church, synagogue, mosque 	Memories from long ago 	Fixing things 	Social media 
Neighbors 	Funny things 	Sad things 	School 	Siblings 	YOU 

My name: _____

A child / teen I live with.
 What do they like to talk about?



Name of this person: _____

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<p>Other relatives</p> 	<p>Art & Drawing</p> 	<p>Friends</p> 	<p>Pets</p> 	<p>TV</p> 	<p>Nature</p> 
<p>Phones</p> 	<p>Dolls</p> 	<p>Listening to Music</p> 	<p>Dance</p> 	<p>Reading</p> 	<p>Shopping</p> 
<p>Playing Sports</p> 	<p>Watching Sports</p> 	<p>Going Places</p> 	<p>Board games</p> 	<p>Weekends</p> 	<p>Parks & Playgrounds</p> 
<p>Toys</p> 	<p>Clothes</p> 	<p>Toys for building</p> 	<p>Money</p> 	<p>Fixing, building</p> 	<p>Holidays coming up</p> <p><i>Christmas! Hanukah! Thanksgiving! Easter! Summer Vacation!</i></p> 
<p>Treats</p> 	<p>Cooking</p> 	<p>Looking good</p> 	<p>Helping at Home</p> 	<p>Restaurants</p> 	<p>Fast Food</p> 
<p>Clubs, Youth Activities</p> 	<p>Parties</p> 	<p>Church, Temple, Mosque</p> 	<p>Homework</p> 	<p>Other people's lives</p> 	<p>Videos</p> 
<p>Neighbors</p> 	<p>Funny Things</p> 	<p>Sad Things</p> 	<p>School</p> 	<p>Other kids in the home</p> 	<p>YOU</p> 

My name: _____

Use these words to talk to people you live with.

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