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Who is this course for?

For those who:

- Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases
- Can introduce him/herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has.
- Can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.
- Want to have some practice
- Want to improve their memory
- Want to keep and improve their language skills

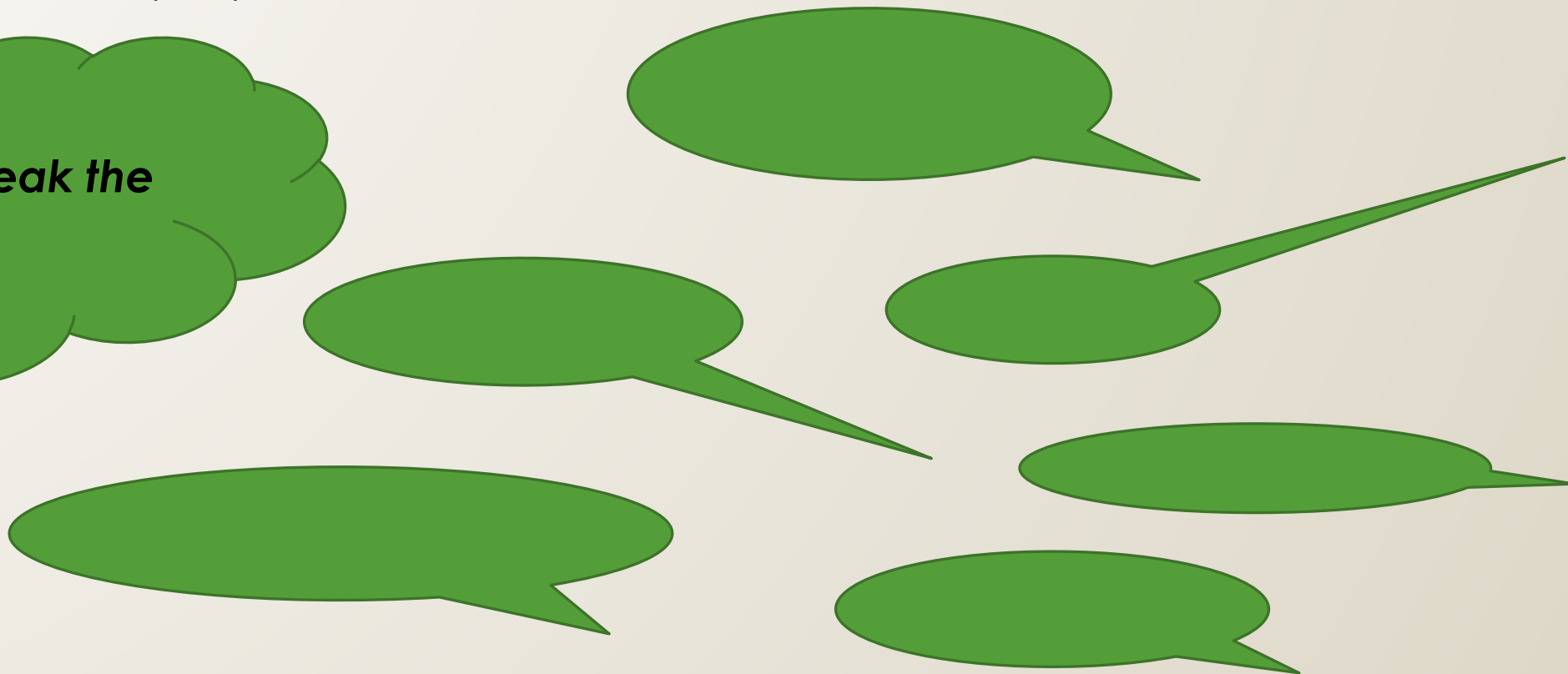


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How can we break the ice?

Introduce yourself

Give a compliment

Tell a joke

Ask something

Tell that you are a bit nervous

Talk about
the weather



Use FORD method

- **FORD** stands for
- **FAMILY**
- **OCCUPATION**
- **RECREATION**
- **DREAMS**

<https://www.engvid.com/ford-method-small-talk/#quiz>

Small talks with FORD - Family

Keep it light and easy! Don't ask too personal questions

- Where are you from originally?
- Is your family here with you?
- Where did you meet your wife / husband?
- Do you have any brothers or sisters?
- Do you come from a big family?
- How are your children?
- Do you have any pets?



Small talks with FORD - Occupation

Be tactful and delicate

- What is keeping you busy these days? (Don't ask: Have you got a job?)
- Oh, that's interesting! How did you get started in that?
- How long have you been in your field?
- What's the best part of your job/ project?
- **No questions about money!!!**

Small talks with FORD - Recreation

Find similarities /don't talk all the time about your way to relax

- What do you do for fun?
- Do you play any sports?
- How long?
- Have you seen any good movie recently?

Small talks with FORD - Dreams

Smile, listen, learn

- Any plans for the weekend?
- What's your dream place to visit?
- What countries do you find worth visiting?
- What do you want to do / to see / to paint / to read next?

Quiz

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1 family 2 fun 3 food 4 facts

2) In **FORD** small talk, what does the **O** represent?

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3) Which of the following is an **example** of an **occupation**?

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4) In **FORD**, what does the **R** represent?

1 reality 2 recreation 3 reading 4 resume

5) "Recreation" is another word for _____.

1 work 2 chores/housework 3 hobbies /free time 4 revising for an exam



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7) In **FORD** small talk, you can talk about your dreams. What are dreams in the FORD method?

1 What you see when you sleep.

2 Your hopes and goals for the future.

3 Your nightmares.

4 Your fairy tale fantasies.

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"What's _____ you busy these days?"

1 keep 2 make 3 keeping 4 doing

9) You want to ask someone about his/her hobbies and interests. You ask:

"What do you do for _____?"

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|-----------------------|---|--|
| POSITIVE | I, we } talk you, they } he, she, it } talks | I } am <u>we, you, they</u> } are he, she, it } is } talking |
| NEGATIVE | I, we } don't talk you, they } he, she, it } doesn't talk | I } 'm not <u>we, you, they</u> } aren't he, she, it } isn't } talking |
| QUESTIONS | Do { I, we } } talk ? { you, they } } Does { he, she, it } } | Am I } } talking ? Are <u>we, you, they</u> } } Is he, she, it } } |
| | <i>What do they talk about?</i> <i>Who talks about the news?</i> | <i>What are they talking about?</i> <i>Who is talking about it?</i> |
| SPELLING RULES | 1. add -s to most verbs : <i>work > works</i> 2. drop -y after consonants and add -ies : <i>study > studies</i> (but not vowels <i>play > plays</i>) 3. after sh, s, ch, x, z, tch add -es : <i>finish > finishes</i> 4. irregular verbs: <i>go > goes, do > does, have > has</i> | 1. add -ing after the most verbs: <i>study > studying</i> 2. drop -e after consonants: <i>take > taking</i> 3. don't drop -e after vowels: <i>see > seeing</i> 4. double the consonant after a short vowel: <i>sit > sitting</i> 5. change -ie to -y : <i>lie > lying, tie > tying</i> |

PRESENT CONTINUOUS



PRESENT SIMPLE



Употребление Present Continuous

- ◆ Указание на процесс, происходящий непосредственно в момент разговора:
*The doctor **is conducting** an operation now.*
Врач сейчас проводит операцию.
- ◆ Описание характерных свойств человека, часто с негативной окраской:
*Why **are** you always **interrupting** people?*
Почему ты вечно перебиваешь людей?

*He **is** always **shouting** at me.*
Он всегда на меня орет.
- ◆ Запланированное действие в будущем, часто с глаголами движения:
*We **are landing** in Heathrow in 20 minutes.*
Мы приземляемся в Хитроу через 20 минут.

Stative Verbs



see
hear
smell
taste

know
understand
remember
forget
think
hope

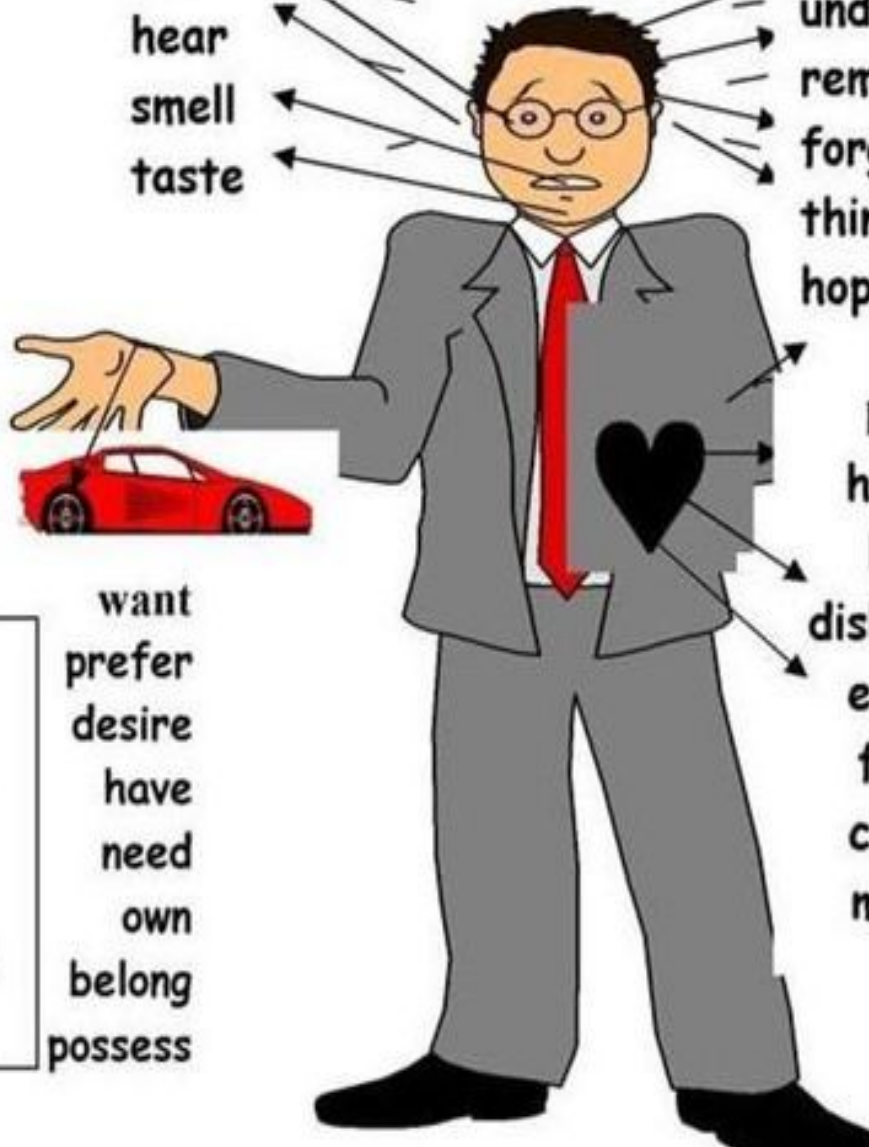
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Write questions in the present continuous or present simple.

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1 A Where _____ lunch today? (you / have)

B At home. My mum's making pasta.

2 A What _____? (he / do)

B He's an accountant.

3 A _____ this weekend? (you / go away)

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