

If I had a magic wand I would...



- Name 1 thing you would change about yourself,
- 1 thing you would change about the world
- 1 thing you would give yourself

- If I had a magic wand I would make myself fatter. I think I'm too thin
- If I had a magic wand I would make everyone equal. That way there is no hunger in the world
- If I had a magic wand I would give myself an airplane so I could fly wherever I wanted for free.

Starting a conversation

Today we will look at interesting ways to start a conversation with a stranger

Breaking the ice

- To “break the ice” means to start a conversation



Whats the best way to start a conversation with someone?

- A classmate?
- A cute boy/girl
- A customer

what about the worst way to start a conversation?

How would you start a conversation in these situations?

- Guy: Nice dog! Whats his name?
- Girl: I like your dog's big ears.



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.2-Minute Mixer

Have you ever heard of speed dating (约会)?



- Speed dating is an equal number of boys and girls go to a restaurant
- Every girl must meet every boy
- You talk for 5-10 minutes
- At the end of the night you can choose which person you like
- If that person also likes you, you get their phone number.



Speed small talk

- Today we'll practice our small talk by talking to as many people in the class as possible
- Speak in English not Chinese.
- Good chance to speak for 20 minutes in English without having to listen to me!!

Instructions

Pair up, and chat for 2 minutes with each other about the topic at hand.

- When 2 minutes are up, I'll tell you.
- Then everyone is to find a new partner and chat for the next 2 minutes.
- Don't talk to the same person twice.
- Mix well, not just your own table.
- Try to speak in English for 16 minutes.
- The goal is for you to practice speaking on different topics.

Topics

1. The weather
2. Shopping
3. Sports
4. The opposite sex
5. Singers and music
6. Travel
7. School