

Must Practice

Work

1. Are you a student or do you have a job?
2. Why did you choose this job?
3. What do you like and dislike about your job?
4. Do you plan to change jobs in the future?

Study

1. Are you a student or do you have a job?
2. Why did you choose this major?
3. What do you like and dislike about what you study?
4. What do you plan to do after you finish your studies?
5. Do you remember your first day of school?

Hometown

1. What's the name of your hometown?
2. Is that a big city or a small place?
3. How long have you been living there?
4. Do you like your hometown?
5. Is there anything you dislike about it?
6. What do you like most about your hometown?
7. Do you like living there?
8. Please describe your hometown a little
9. Do you think you will continue living there for a long time?

The area you live in

1. Do you like the area that you live in?
2. Are there any famous people in your area?
3. Have there been any changes in this area?
4. Where do you like to go in that area?

Home

1. Do you live in a house or an apartment?
2. How long have you lived there?
3. Do you like where you live?
4. What would you like change about your house/apartment?
5. What did you like the most about the house you grew up in?

New

Birthday

1. What do you usually do on your birthday?
2. What did you do on your birthday when you were young?
3. Do you think it is important for you to celebrate your birthday?
4. Which birthday is considered the most important in your culture?

Flowers

1. Do you love flowers?
2. Do you know anyone who loves flowers?
3. Are there a lot of flowers where you live?
4. Do you take photos of flowers in your daily life?

Plans / Schedules

1. Do you like making plans?
2. Do you use paper or your cellphone to make plans?
3. What are the benefits of making plans?

Text messages

1. How often do you send text messages?
2. Is sending messages popular in your country?
3. Did you send more messages when you were younger?
4. Do you reply to messages as soon as you receive them?

Names

1. Does your name have any special meaning?
2. Does anyone in your family have the same name as you?
3. Are there any differences between how Chinese name their children now and in the past?
4. Are there any names that are more popular than others in China?

Public transportation

1. What kind of public transportation do you usually take?
2. Do most people like public transportation in your country?
3. Did you take public transportation when you were a kid?
4. Will there be more people taking public transportation in the future?

Public gardens and parks

1. Do you like to go to parks or public gardens?
2. How often do you visit public gardens or parks?
3. What activities do you usually do there?
4. In what ways have parks changed since your childhood?

Traffic

1. Are there many crosswalks where you live?
2. How is the traffic in the area you live in?

History

1. Have you ever visited a history museum?
2. Do you like history?
3. When was the last time you read about history?
4. Did you enjoy learning history as a child?

Electronic devices / Technology

1. Which technology do you use more often, computers or cellphones?
2. What electronic devices have you recently bought?
3. Is there any technology you'd like to buy?
4. How important is technology in your life?
4. Is there any technology you dislike?
5. How do you think technology trends today compare to when you were young?

Young people

1. What activities are popular among young people in your country?
2. Do you care about teenagers' fashion trends?

3. Do you like spending time with teenagers?
4. Do you know what the fashion trend among people is like in your country?

Quiet / Noisy places

1. Do you prefer quiet or noisy places?
2. Do you prefer going to quiet or noisy places on weekends when you're free?

Housework and cooking

1. Did you do any house cleaning when you were younger?
2. Do you usually have breakfast at home?
3. Would you like to learn how to cook better?
4. Do you consider your home to be clean and tidy?
5. What housework do you enjoy or dislike doing?

Party

1. Do you like going to parties?
2. How often did you go to parties when you were a kid?
3. Have you ever planned or organized a party?

Hats

1. Is wearing hats popular in your country?
2. Where do you like to buy hats?
3. What kinds of hats do you have?
4. Do you like to wear hats?

Colors

1. What's your favorite color?
2. Is there a color you dislike?
3. What are your friends' favorite colors?
4. Is there a color that makes you feel uncomfortable in your room?

Borrowing / Lending

1. Have you borrowed books from others?
2. Do you like to lend things to others?
3. Have you ever borrowed money from others?
4. How do you feel when people don't return things they borrowed from you?

Place of study / Study

1. What is your favourite place to study?
2. What part of your school do you like the most?
3. Do you prefer to study at home or in a library?
4. Do you prefer to work at home or in the workplace?
5. Do you prefer to work alone or in a group?

Meeting new friends / People

1. Do you like making friends?
2. Did you make a lot of friends when you were a child?
3. Have you made any new friends recently?
4. What do you often talk about with your friends?
5. Do you like meeting new people?
6. Do you enjoy talking to new people?

7. Where can you meet new people?

Machine

1. What is your favorite machine in your home?
2. Do you think washing machines and sweeping machines are important?
3. Do you read the instructions before using a machine?
4. Do you think it is important to read the instructions?

Patience

1. Are you a patient person?
2. What is it that makes you feel impatient?
3. How do you feel when you have to do something for a long time?
4. Does your job require you to be patient?
5. Are you more patient now than when you were a child?

List

1. Do you make a list when you shop?
2. Do you make a list for your work? Does it work?
3. Why don't some people like making lists?
4. Do you prefer to make a list on paper or your phone?

Praise / Encouragement

1. Have you had any achievements recently?
2. How do you feel when you praised?
3. When was the last time you praised someone?

4. Do you think parents should often praise and encourage their children?
5. Have you ever been praised or encouraged by your teacher?

Being busy

1. Are you often busy?
2. Why are you busy?
3. When you are busy?
4. Are you busier now than when you were a child?

Thank you

1. Have you ever sent a thank you to others?
2. Do people in your country often say 'thank you'?
3. On what occasions do you say 'thank you'?
4. Why do people need to say 'thank you'?

Spare time

1. Do you often have free time?
2. What do you usually do in your spare time?
3. Which day do you have more free time on, Saturday or Sunday?
4. Would you like to have more free time in the future?

Kept Question

Geography

1. Do you think geography is useful?
2. Have you ever learned geography?

3. Would you like to be a geography teacher?
4. Will you learn more about the geography of other countries?

Gifts

1. Have you ever given handmade gifts to others?
2. Do you think you are good at choosing gifts?
3. Have you ever received a great gift?
4. What gift have you received recently?

Fishing

1. Is fishing popular in your country?
2. Do you like eating fish?
3. Do you like fishing?
4. Did you ever go fishing when you were a child?

Films

1. What type of films do you like?
2. Did you often watch films when you were a child?
3. Do you often go to the cinema with your friends?
4. Do you think going to the cinema is a good way to spend time with friends?

Musical instruments

1. What type of musical instruments do you enjoy listening to the most?
2. Have you ever learned to play a musical instrument?
3. Do you think children should learn to play an instrument at school?
4. Do you think music education is important for children?

Teachers

1. Do you or did you have a favorite teacher?
2. Do you want to be a teacher in the future?
3. In what way has your favourite teacher helped you?
4. Do you have a teacher from your past that you still remember?
5. Are you still in touch with your primary school teachers?

Friends

1. How important are friends to you?
2. Do you often go out with your friends?
3. Where do you often meet up with your friends?
4. What do you usually do with your friends?
5. Is there a difference between where you meet friends now and where you used to meet them in the past?
6. Why are some places suitable for meeting while others are not?
7. Do you prefer to spend time with one friend or with a group of friends?
8. Would you invite friends to your home?
9. Do you have a friend you have known for a long time?

Social media

1. When did you start using social media?
2. Do you think you spend too much time on social media?
3. Are your friends active on social media?
4. What kind of things do people usually do on social media?

Staying at home

1. Are you a person who likes to stay at home?
2. What do you do when you stay at home?
3. What did you often do at home as a child?
4. What is your favourite place at home?
5. Would you like to stay at home a lot in the future?

Morning routines

1. What do you do in the mornings?
2. Do you like to get up early in the morning?
3. Is breakfast important?
4. What is your morning routine?

Childhood memory

1. What did you enjoy doing as a child?
2. What are your best childhood memories?
3. Did you enjoy your childhood?
4. Do you think it is better for children to grow up in the city or in the countryside?

Holidays

1. Where did you go for your last holiday?
2. Do you like holidays? why?
3. Do you prefer a leisurely or a busy holiday?
4. What do you do on holidays?
5. Which public holiday do you like best?
6. Do you like to spend your day at home?

Exciting activities

1. Have you ever tried any exciting activities?
2. Has anything exciting happened to you recently?
3. What do you think were exciting activities when you were a child?
4. Would you like to try scuba diving and bungee jumping?

Doing sports

1. What sports do you like?
2. Where did you learn how to do it?
3. Do you think students need more exercise?
4. Did you do some sports when you were young?
5. Do you know any people who are good at sports?
6. Should schools encourage young students to take more physical exercise?
7. Do you think it is important for people to exercise?

Daily routine

1. What is your daily study routine?
2. Have you ever changed your routine?
3. What part of your day do you like best?
4. Do you think it is important to have a daily routine for your study?

E-books and paper books

1. Which do you prefer, e-books or paper books?
2. Do you think paper books will disappear in the future?
3. When do you usually read online?

4. Will you read more online in the future?

Science

1. Do you like science?

2. Which science subject is interesting to you?

3. When did you start to learn about science?

4. Do you like watching science TV programs?

5. What kinds of interesting things have you done with science?

6. Do Chinese people often visit science museums?

Internet

1. When did you start using the Internet?

2. How does the Internet influence people?

3. How often do you go online?

4. Do you think you spend too much time online?

5. What would you do without the internet?

Library

1. Do you often go to the library?

2. Do Chinese kids often go to the library?

3. What do you usually do in the library?

4. Did you go to the library when you were a kid?

Jewelry

1. Do you often wear jewelry?

2. Do you usually buy jewelry?

3. What type of jewelry do you like?
4. Why do you think some people wear a piece of jewelry for a long time?

Staying up

1. What does it feel like the next morning if you stay up late?
2. Did you stay up late when you were a child?
3. What do you do when you stay up late?
4. Do you often stay up late?

Small businesses

1. Do you know many small businesses where you live?
2. Do you prefer buying things from big companies or small businesses?
3. Have you ever worked in small businesses?
4. Have you ever thought about starting your own business?

Shopping

1. Do you like shopping?
2. Do you compare prices when you shop? Why?
3. Do you find it hard to decide what to buy when you're shopping?
4. Do you think more expensive products are always better?

Bikes

1. Do you have a bike now?
2. Do you often ride a bike now?
3. Did you have a bike when you were young?
4. Are bikes popular in China?

Coins

1. Do you often take coins with you?
2. Is it convenient to use coins?
3. Have you collected coins?
4. Do you use coins in your daily life?

Roads and streets

1. Are the roads in the area where you live busy?
2. Do you think the roads in your city need improvement?
3. How do people cross the road in the city where you live?
4. How is the condition of the roads in your city?

Good view

1. What is the view like around the place where you live?
2. Would you take photos when you see a good view?
3. Have you seen an unforgettable view?
4. What is your favourite place? Why?

Perfume

1. Do you like perfume?
2. Do you use perfume?
3. Where do you spray perfume?
4. Do you give perfume to others as a gift?

Laughing

1. Do you always laugh at funny things?
2. When was the last time you laughed?
3. Do you think you are a funny person?
4. Do you enjoy watching interesting and funny movies?

Teamwork

1. Do you like teamwork?
2. Have you teamed up with someone else before?
3. What do you learn from working in a team?
4. What do you dislike about teamwork?