

Getting to Know Each Other Again

First English Class of Spring 2026

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TWO-SENTENCE SPRING

Share with a partner:

One thing you did since February.

One thing you're looking forward to this spring.

VOCABULARY

catch up

To meet someone after a long time and share news.

EXAMPLE

"It's been a while — let's catch up on what you've been doing."

久しぶりに会って近況を話す

VOCABULARY

It depends on...

A soft way to say "there's no single answer."

EXAMPLE

"It depends on the day — sometimes I have coffee, sometimes tea."

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VOCABULARY

on the other hand

A polite way to introduce a different view.

EXAMPLE

"I love spring. On the other hand, the pollen is rough."

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VOCABULARY

I'd say...

A gentle way to share an opinion without sounding too strong.

EXAMPLE

"I'd say Friday mornings are easier than Monday mornings."

私としては～だと思う

VOCABULARY

what I've been up to is...

A natural way to share recent activities.

EXAMPLE

"What I've been up to is gardening on weekends."

最近やっていることは～

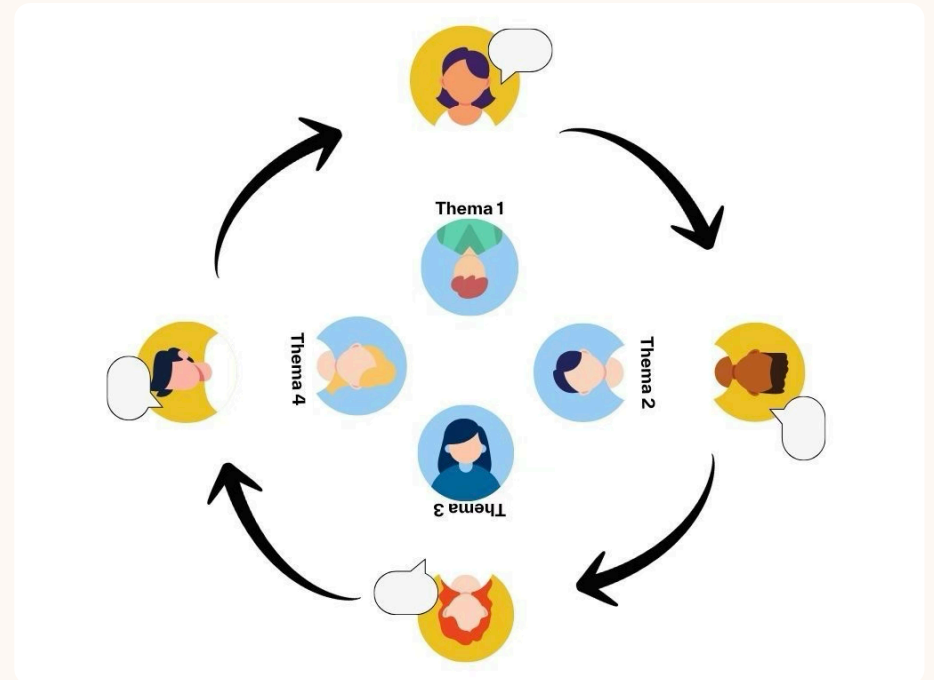
ACTIVITY 1

True/False Wheel

Read your statements.

Ask follow-ups.

Guess which is false.



TRUE/FALSE WHEEL — HOW TO PLAY

1. **Inner ring + outer ring.** Find your first partner.
2. **Read your three statements** (2 true, 1 false).
3. **Partner asks 2 follow-up questions**, then guesses which is false.
4. **Switch roles.** Now you listen and guess.
5. **Rotate every 90 seconds.** Meet someone new!

ACTIVITY 2

A Good Friday Morning

Rank these five things — 1 is most important:

1. Feeling awake
2. Being with classmates you like
3. Learning something new
4. Laughing at least once
5. Leaving with one phrase you'll use



Pairs → fours → whole class

ACTIVITY 3

Just a Minute

Topic: One thing that has changed since last spring.

30s

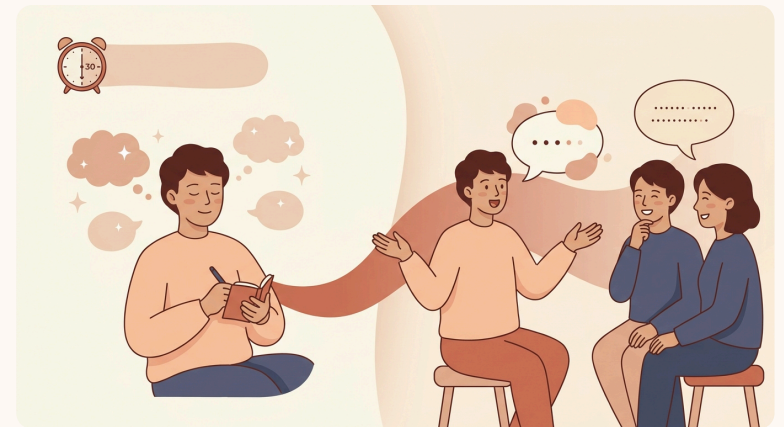
Quiet
thinking
time

60s

Speak in
your
group of
three

?

Listeners
ask one
follow-up



REVIEW

Let's review some interesting moments...

A few things I noticed.

What's the problem? How would you say it?

REFLECTION

One Phrase to Keep

*What's one thing you said today
you want to remember?*

CLOSING

Exit Ticket

Four short questions.

Your answers shape future lessons.