

Welcome to “Take Time to Talk...Take Time to Listen” interactive conversation starters. We’ve designed this as a “win-win” game where everyone gets a chance to TALK *and* LISTEN.

INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

take time to talk...

take time to listen

Presented by:



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING CONVERSATION STARTER CARDS

The basis of the game is to get to know more about your family, friends, and caregivers by honestly answering the questions on each card and carefully listening to the replies. There are no rules; however, you can be a winner only if you honestly answer the questions—take a chance on opening true conversations and *REALLY LISTENING* to responses.

It's not always easy to make the time for regular conversation beyond coordinating schedules, homework, and after school activities. Eating dinner together on a regular basis is a way to ensure that parents have an opportunity to participate in their kids' day-to-day lives and help shape the way they think and react. Research by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse shows that the more often a child eats dinner with his/her family, the less likely that child is to smoke, drink or use illegal drugs.

Parents are the most powerful—and the most underutilized resource we have to prevent all risky behaviors and help kids grow up safe and healthy.

National Family Day observance is the 4th Monday in September. We encourage you to make *every day* family day. For more information visit these local web sites—www.metrodrug.org & www.knoxillespromise.org

Are you attracted or repelled by
people who are different?
Talk more about your reasons.

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If you could go back in time and live in any other era, what would it be? Why?

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If you were with kids/adults who were smoking, drinking, taking drugs, what would you do?

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What other cultures interest you
and why?

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What do you think about
marriage? Having children?

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What's a skill you wish you
had? Why?

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What do you remember about
your first day of school/work?

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Describe the perfect
girlfriend/boyfriend -
husband/wife-
mother/father-.

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Ask a question you have been
wanting to ask.

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Where would you go, if you
could travel anywhere in the
world?

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What's the most dangerous
thing you have ever done?

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What was the best thing that
happened to you today?

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Who do you think has had a tough life? Why?

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If another student/co-worker threatened to hurt you, how would you react? Explain.

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What one room in your house
would you change and how?

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What three things make a
person popular in your
school/work?

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What is your favorite family
tradition?

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What is a funny family story that
you tell to your friends?

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Who is your best friend? Why?

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What is your most embarrassing
moment?

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What do you want to
accomplish with your life?

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Besides family members, who
do you feel most comfortable
talking to about problems?
Why?

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If you could change one thing
about yourself, what would it
be?

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Register your family for a drawing for a FREE Gift Certificate for dinner. Send the following information to:

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Phone: (865) 588-5550 Fax: (865) 588-0891
www.metrodrug.org

Yes, we are using these conversation cards!

_____ Number of Children in Household

Ages of Children: _____

Family Contact's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____