

CULTURAL DESTINATION: THE SINGLE LIFE

TRAVEL CONVERSATION

SEMESTER 3, LESSON 003



TABLE TOPIC

Choose and discuss one of these interesting table topic questions in order to get warmed up for the lesson!

Table Topic:

What are the advantages and disadvantages of being single?

Hypothetical Table Topic:

Imagine you had married your first boyfriend/girlfriend. What would your life be like now?



IDIOMS

Read and practice this useful idiom.
It's great to use with this topic!

the waiting game - the process or strategy of waiting for something you wish to obtain/achieve, in this case, a partner

The **waiting game** finally paid off. My first love finally accepted me after 10 years of waiting and living the single life.



USEFUL WORDS

Read and practice the vocabulary below.

soulmate - a person ideally suited to another as a close friend or romantic partner

You know what I'm going to say before I say it! You must be my **soulmate**.

spinster - an unmarried woman, typically an older woman beyond the usual age for marriage

I think **spinsters** are the lucky ones. The single life is under-rated.

available - not married or involved in a romantic relationship and therefore willing to start a new relationship

Did you know Hal's **available** again? He and his girlfriend just broke up.

lead on - to entice or cause to adopt or continue in a course or belief especially when unwise or mistaken

That girl loves attention and free gifts. She's been **leading on** all the boys in the classroom all year long.

ogle - stare at in a rudely and/or sexually in manner

How drunk are you? Please stop **ogling** me!



GUIDED CONVERSATION

Use these questions as a guide for conversation. Splitting into small groups for conversation is advisable. The teacher will inquire to see what the students have learned post-conversation.

What's the biggest difference between married life and single life?

Is it easier for a man or a woman to be single? Why do you think so?

What's a stereotype about single life or married life that is not true?

Do you believe in the idea of a **soulmate**? Why or why not?

What are some habits that you changed or should change after you are in a serious relationship?

Have you ever **led someone on** or been **led on**? How did it go?

What's the perfect age to stay single until? Why?



ACTIVITY

Use this activity to practice the vocabulary and idioms you have learned so far!

Speed Conversation

Example situation: Try to convince the student across from you to go on a blind date with your best friend.

Students should sit across from a classmate. The teacher will assign a situation for each group of students to talk over. Students should rotate partners every 2-3 minutes.



HOMework

**Homework! Daily practice is essential
for language learning.**

1 MINUTE PRESENTATION/SPEECH

Prepare to talk about your first serious relationship. How did it go? Give a 1-minute speech presenting it (After the student is through, the teacher will quiz the other students about the speech so as to test their listening comprehension).



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