

Below is an example of a list. There is a title, as well as the text. When submitting writing to us, also include the author's name, in the format that it should be displayed. If they are a 15-year-old who lives in Ohio and their name is David Thomas, their name could be displayed as any of these:

"David, age 15"

"David T., age 15"

"David Thomas, age 15"

"David, age 15 from Ohio"

or "David T., age 15 from Ohio"

Hello Friend!

31 Conversation Starters

Conversations

are a daily activity for most of us. Here are some starters and tips to help you have great ones.

First Impressions

1. Tell me about yourself.
2. What are your interests?
3. Tell me about your character.
4. What is a non-work related goal that you want to achieve in the next 5 years?
5. Where do you fall on the introvert-extrovert spectrum?

Seeing an Old Friend

6. I remember ___ was going on. What happened with that?
7. What's new since I last saw you?
8. Tell me about what your family's been up to.
9. I remember you really wanted to ____. How did that go?

If You Recognize Someone, But Forget Who They Are

10. How have you been?
11. So tell me, what's new?
12. What are you working on these days?
13. It's been a while. When was the last time we saw each other?

No-Small-Talk

14. Who in the Bible would you most compare yourself to?
15. When you are old, what do you think might be your biggest regret?
16. What is your single life-goal?
17. Are you satisfied?

No-Small-Talk with Christians

18. What is something really specific that you have asked for?
19. What do you most desire to learn?

20. What verses in the Bible have had the most impact on your life?
21. What have you been learning recently?
22. What in the Bible have you been reading recently?
23. What would you put on a church sign?
24. Who has had the greatest impact on your faith?
25. Have you had any dreams from God recently?
26. What promise of God have you most recently read?
27. What in the Bible has most invigorated you?

Questions for Youth

28. How have you been preparing yourself to be an adult?
29. How have you been preparing yourself to be a great husband/wife?
30. How have you been preparing yourself to be a great father/mother?
31. What qualities do you admire most about your parents?

Final Tips & Suggestions

- Don't forget follow-up questions. For example:
 - Yeah, why?
 - Tell me more.
 - Has that always been the case?
 - What else?
- Sometimes give people prompts when asking a question.
- Remember your last conversation and catch up about it.
- Be prepared to answer about yourself.

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