Conversation Questions  
Culture

* What are some things that define a culture? For example, music, language, ...
* What do you think is interesting about your culture?
* Do you know much about your own culture?
* When people from other countries think about your culture, what do they usually think of?
* In your culture is it polite to be straightforward and direct when you talk to someone?
  + To whom is it OK and to whom is it not OK?
* What has surprised you when you've met people from other countries?
* Have you looked at Internet pages from a different culture? If so, how were they different from those of your own culture?
* What do you like about your culture?
* What don't you like about your culture?
* How do young people in your culture behave differently from older people?
* How do young people in your culture behave differently from people in this culture?
* Are there many people of different cultures in your country? Are you friends with any?
* Have you ever felt confused by the actions of someone from another culture?
  + If so, tell me about it.
* How are your language teachers who are not from your country different from your other teachers?
  + How are they the same?
* Who in your culture do you admire most?
* What your culture are you most proud about?
* Why do you think culture is important?
* If you could change one thing about your culture, what would it be?
* Would you ever consider marrying or dating someone from another culture?
* Would you ever consider living permanently in a country other than your home country? Why or why not?
* What does it mean to be polite in your culture?
* What is considered rude in your culture?
  + Is there anything in this culture that is considered rude that may not be considered rude in your culture?
* If a group of people just came to your country from overseas, what advice would you give them?
* What other cultures have you met people from?
* What do you think is important when visiting another culture?
* Do you think "when in Rome, do as the Romans do" is always good advice? Why or why not?
* Have you ever been in a situation where you felt you had to "do as the Romans do"?
* What culture besides your own do you admire and why?
* If aliens visited your country, what might surprise them?
* Do you pray before each meal?
* How do you feel when you leave your home culture and enter into a completely new culture?
* What is the best/most important thing your culture has given to the world?
* What is the best/most important thing your culture/country has adopted from another culture?
* If you could choose three aspects of your culture to put in a "time box" for the future, what would you put in it?
* What is culture shock?
* Have you ever experienced culture shock?
* What is reverse, or re-entry, culture shock?
* Have you ever experienced reverse culture shock?
* On what occasions do you exchange flowers in your country?
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