

Task 2 Script (Weather and Birthday)

Title
Task 2: All About You
Purpose
This task assesses listening comprehension and oral fluency through asking students to respond to questions on familiar topics that can be answered with single words, short phrases, or sentences.
Language Functions
Answering questions, naming, giving simple descriptions
Proficiency Level(s)
Novice Mid (NM) – Intermediate Low (IL)
Language Expectations
Word, phrases, and short sentences using familiar vocabulary
Materials
(Optional) Graphics with illustrations of each conversation topic
Length of Time
Approximately 5 minutes
Administration Tips
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create a pool of topics and questions that are familiar to your students. Make sure that the complexity and variety of questions is balanced and parallel across each topic.• If appropriate for the age of your students, create graphics with illustrations to support each conversation topic.• For each administration, select two topics that are appropriate for those students.

Instructions

Place any graphics you are using on the table. Alternate between the students by asking each student the same 3 questions from one topic. Then, ask each student the same 3 questions from the second topic.

Now I am going to ask you some questions.

Topic 1: Weather

[Student A], First, let's talk about the weather. [Point to graphic, if applicable]

Do you like the weather today?

What is your favorite season?

Why is [season] your favorite?

[Student B], Now it's your turn.

Do you like the weather today?

What is your favorite season?

Why is [season] your favorite?

Topic 2: Birthday

[Student B], Now, let's talk about birthdays. [Point to graphic, if applicable]

When is your birthday?

What do you like to do on your birthday?

What is the best thing about your birthday?

[Student A], Now it's your turn.

When is your birthday?

What do you like to do on your birthday?

What is the best thing about your birthday?

Transition to the next task:

Great, thank you. Now, we will go on to our next activity.

Next Task

If you have selected Track 1, go on to Task 3: Describe a Scene.

If you have selected Track 2, go on to Task 3: Describe a Topic.