

Conversation Starters – Mentor/Mentee

I know that your name is _____ do you have a nick name or a name you prefer to be called?

How did you get that nickname?

What type of things do you do with your brothers and sisters?

What are the ages of your brothers and sisters?

Does your family include pets?

What are their names?

What do you like to do after school with your friends?

What is your favorite book; movie; video game; sport, etc.?

Why do you like that book, movie, etc.

What are your plans after high school?

What do you like to do after school with your friends?

Allow the Mentee to ask you the same questions and include where you work and what you do.

Make sure you tell the Mentee the first day:

Why you are there (to be a friend).

Why you decided to become a mentor

When you will visit next and how you will contact the mentee if you are unable to come.

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What are the top 3 things you like to do?
Mine are _____
Tell me why those things are your favorite.

My favorite color is _____.
What is yours?
What is special about that color? What does it remind you of?
Mine reminds me of _____.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you choose to go?
What has been your favorite trip so far?
Tell me what made it special for you.

What is your favorite food?
Mine is _____ -

Tell me about your all time favorite movie.
What is your favorite scene from the movie?

What is your favorite thing to do?
What is your least favorite?
Tell me why you like to do _____.

Tell me about school, what do you like?
What are some things you would like to change about school if you could?

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Tell me about the places you have lived until now.

Describe your favorite place.

What do you like about where you live now?

Tell me what you like about being the age you are now?

Tell me about something that you are good at doing?

What is something you would like to learn or learn to do better?

If you had lots of money how would you choose to help others?

What would you do for yourself? Your family?

Make conversation a game by cutting out the squares and putting them folded into a hat or bowl. Take turns drawing out a question and answering it or draw out a question and both of you answer it. Use the answers as conversation starters.

<p>Tell me about your favorite teacher</p>	<p>Talk about a time when you laughed so hard you thought you couldn't stop</p>	<p>Name something you have always wished you could do. How could you make it happen?</p>
<p>Complete this sentence: One way I'd like to change the world is...</p>	<p>What is the biggest mistake you have ever made in your life? What did you learn from it?</p>	<p>What are three things about you that your friends would say make you a good friend to have?</p>
<p>If you could describe your ideal day, what would it be like?</p>	<p>How do you handle a situation when someone lies to you?</p>	<p>What is your biggest dream? What is the first step you can take toward achieving it?</p>
<p>What is a subject or topic that isn't taught in your school, but one you would really like to learn about?</p>	<p>What is one thing about your cultural heritage that you are really proud of?</p>	<p>What do you do when you disagree with rules you are supposed to follow?</p>
<p>When people first meet you, what do you think they see? What do you wish they would see in you?</p>	<p>If you could achieve only one great thing in your life, what would it be?</p>	<p>You fast-forward 50 years and discover a new holiday is named in your honor. What would people be celebrating about you?</p>