

Starting a conversation

- 1 (3.05) Read and listen to the dialogue. What does Patrick ask Dylan about?



Patrick Hi. I'm Patrick. It's my first time here.
Dylan Hello, Patrick. I'm Dylan. I'm the team captain.
Patrick Nice to meet you. How long have you been playing basketball, Dylan?
Dylan Since I was little. I've been coming to this club for years.
Patrick How often do you have matches?
Dylan We usually play on Saturday mornings, but sometimes we have a match in the afternoon instead.
Patrick I think I play better in the morning, actually. How about you?
Dylan I do too. It isn't much fun playing after lunch.
Patrick Have you ever seen the national team?
Dylan Only on TV. Who's your favourite player?
Patrick I like Michael Jordan. What about you?
Dylan Me too. He's incredible! Oh, here's the coach now. Better start warming up!

- 2 Read the dialogue again and find two questions Patrick asks Dylan to see if they have something in common.

LOOK OUT!

We use the expressions *Me too*, *So (do/did) I* and *I (do/did) too* to say we have something affirmative in common with somebody.
 We use the expressions *Me neither*, *Neither (do/did) I* or *I (don't/didn't) either* to say we have something negative in common.

- 3 Read the *Look out!* box. Respond to the statements using the correct words. Say that you agree.

- 1 I went to bed late last night. Me ...
- 2 I'm looking forward to the weekend. So ...
- 3 I didn't have time for breakfast this morning. I ...
- 4 I can't ride a bike. Me ...
- 5 I like playing computer games. I ...
- 6 I haven't finished my homework yet. Neither ...

- 4 (3.06) Listen and repeat the responses in exercise 3.

- 5 (3.07) Listen to the dialogue. Where is Rose for the first time?

- 6 (3.07) Write questions using the words given. Listen again to the dialogue and check.

- 1 how long / you / come here
- 2 you / enjoy / perform / on the stage
- 3 you / ever / see a ballet / at the theatre
- 4 you / do / anything / Saturday night

- 7 Work in pairs. Prepare a dialogue between two students at a language school. Students A is new to the school. Use expressions for talking about things you have in common from exercises 2 and 3 and question forms from exercise 6.

A

Introduce yourself.

B

Introduce yourself.

Ask B a question.

Answer the question.

Ask B another question.

Answer the question.

Make an affirmative statement.
Ask if B thinks the same.

Say you think the same.
Make an additional comment.

Make a negative statement.
Ask if B feels the same.

Say you feel the same.
Invite A to do something.

Accept the invitation.

Finish the conversation.

- 8 Act out your dialogue to the class.

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