

# Conversation strategies

## Saying more than yes or no.

1. Notice how Andy and Celia answer questions. They say more than **yes** or **no**. They want to be friendly. Find examples in the conversation.

**Celia** Hi. I see you here all the time. Do you work out every day?

**Andy** Well, I come here before class.

**Celia** Oh, are you a student?

**Andy** Yeah. Well, I'm a part-time law student. And I work at a TV station, too.

**Celia** A TV station? Really?

**Andy** Yeah, I'm an intern. So, do you come here every day?

**Celia** Uh-huh. I run here from home every morning.

**Andy** Oh, so do you live around here?

**Celia** No. I live about 10 miles away.

**Andy** So you run 10 miles every day? Wow!



2. Find two good answers for each question below. Write the letters **a** to **h**.

1. Do you live around here?   c
2. Do you have a job?   —
3. Are you from here originally?   —
4. Do you have brothers and sisters?   —

a. Well, I work at a store on the weekends.	e. No, I don't. I live in Oaktown.
b. No, I'm from Chicago originally.	f. Yeah. I have a part-time job at a restaurant.
c. Well, I live about two miles away.	g. Yes, I am. But my parents are from Turkey.
d. No, I'm an only child.	h. Yes, I have a sister.

3. Match the questions with the responses.

1. Are you from a big family?	—	a. Well, I don't play sports, but I watch soccer on TV.
2. Do you work out a lot?	—	b. Well, not every day. I go to the gym two days a week.
3. Do you like sports?	—	c. Well, I like a lot of actors. I don't have a favorite actor.
4. Do you study every day?	—	d. Well, not every day. I don't study on the weekends.
5. Who's your favorite actor?	—	e. Well, I have two brothers and a sister.

**4.** Can you guess the missing words in these conversations? Listen and write what the people say.

A Do you text your \_\_\_\_\_?

B No, not really. Well, on my way home \_\_\_\_\_. I text and say "I'm on my way".

A Do you watch a lot of sports on TV?

B Well, I only watch \_\_\_\_\_. You know, \_\_\_\_\_.

A Do you read the news \_\_\_\_\_?

B Yeah. Well, \_\_\_\_\_. I make \_\_\_\_\_ and check the headlines.

A Do you \_\_\_\_\_ on the Internet?

B Yes. Well, \_\_\_\_\_ I play chess with my friend \_\_\_\_\_.

A Do you listen to the radio?

B Well, I listen to the same show \_\_\_\_\_. But that's all.