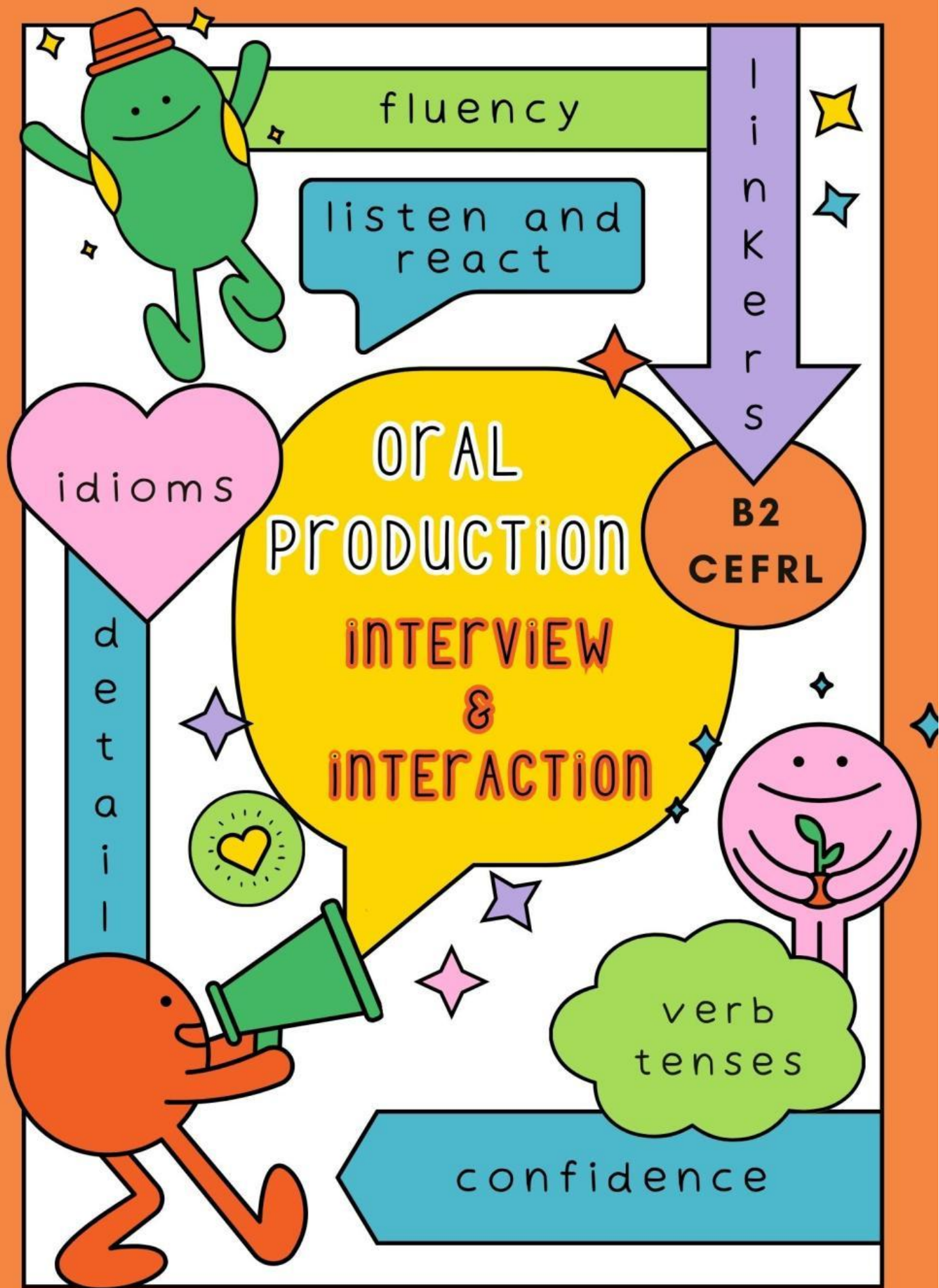






INTERVIEW

1. What's your name, and where are you from?

(A simple introductory question to start the conversation.)

2. Can you describe your daily routine? What do you usually do in the morning?

(Focus on the use of present simple tense and sequencing activities.)

3. What do you like to do in your free time? Why?

(Encourages students to talk about hobbies and interests, using basic linking words like "because.")

4. How long have you been learning English? What has been the most challenging part for you?

(Test ability to talk about duration using the present perfect tense and explain challenges.)

5. How important do you think it is to learn foreign languages? What benefits does it bring?

(Test ability to express opinions and justify them.)



INTERVIEW

6. Can you describe a place you visited that left a strong impression on you? Why was it special?

(Encourages descriptive language and the use of past tenses.)

7. What are the differences between your hometown and the city you live in now?

(Comparison question requiring use of comparative and superlative adjectives.)

8. How do you usually keep in touch with your friends or family members? Why do you prefer that method?

(Test for everyday vocabulary, linking expressions, and explaining preferences.)

9. What is one of the most important values in your life? How does it influence your decisions or actions?

(Test the ability to explain abstract concepts and give examples.)

10. What do you think will change in the next 10 years in terms of technology and communication?

(Requires students to predict, use future forms, and think critically about the future.)



INTERVIEW -SAMPLE ANSWERS-

1. What's your name, and where are you from?

Sample Answer:

"My name is Maria, and I'm from Madrid, Spain. I've lived here my whole life, but I've traveled extensively for both work and leisure. I've always been interested in learning about different cultures, and I think it's important to be open-minded about the world."

2. Can you describe your daily routine? What do you usually do in the morning?

Sample Answer:

"On weekdays, my routine is pretty consistent. I wake up around 7:00 a.m., have a light breakfast — usually coffee and toast — and then I prepare for work. I'm usually at the office by 8:30 a.m. Most of my mornings are spent in meetings, addressing emails, and organizing tasks. I find that having a structured morning helps me stay organized and productive throughout the day."

3. What do you like to do in your free time? Why?

Sample Answer:

"In my free time, I enjoy reading, especially novels that offer an intriguing storyline. I find that reading helps me unwind and improve my language skills at the same time. I also like going for walks in the park, especially when the weather is pleasant. It's a great way to clear my mind, and it's an important part of my routine to stay active and relaxed."



INTERVIEW

4. How long have you been learning English? What has been the most challenging part for you?

Sample Answer:

"I've been learning English for about five years, and it's definitely been a rewarding experience. The most challenging part for me has been mastering idiomatic expressions and understanding different accents. For example, I often find British English more difficult to understand compared to American English. However, I've made progress by listening to podcasts and watching movies in English, which helps me improve my listening skills."

5. How important do you think it is to learn foreign languages? What benefits does it bring?

Sample Answer:

"I believe learning foreign languages is incredibly important. In today's interconnected world, being able to communicate in more than one language opens up many opportunities, both professionally and personally. In my experience, learning English has allowed me to travel more easily, connect with people from different cultures, and stay informed about global issues. It also broadens your perspective and makes you more adaptable in a variety of situations."



INTERVIEW

6. Can you describe a place you visited that left a strong impression on you? Why was it special?

Sample Answer:

"Last year, I visited Japan, and it left a lasting impression on me. The blend of traditional and modern elements in the cities was fascinating. I was particularly struck by the serenity of the temples and gardens, which offered a stark contrast to the bustling city life. The attention to detail and the peaceful atmosphere made it a truly unique and enriching experience. I believe such trips help you develop a greater appreciation for different cultures and perspectives."

7. What are the differences between your hometown and the city you live in now?

Sample Answer:

"My hometown is much smaller and quieter than the city I live in now, which is Barcelona. In my hometown, life is more relaxed and everyone knows each other. You can walk anywhere in just a few minutes. In contrast, Barcelona is much more fast-paced and modern. In fact, the way I see it, it's a vibrant city with a lot of energy, but sometimes it can feel overwhelming. Consequently, both places have their own charm, but I enjoy the diversity and opportunities Barcelona offers."



INTERVIEW

8. How do you usually keep in touch with your friends or family members? Why do you prefer that method?

Sample Answer:

"I mostly keep in touch with my family and friends through video calls, especially because it allows us to see each other while chatting. It's much more personal than just texting, and I feel it strengthens our connection, even when we're far apart. Additionally, I use messaging apps for quick updates, but video calls are always my first choice when I want to have a deeper conversation."

9. What is one of the most important values in your life? How does it influence your decisions or actions?

Sample Answer:

"From my perspective, honesty is one of the most important values to me. I believe that being truthful helps build trust and strong, lasting relationships. This value influences many aspects of my life, both personally and professionally. For instance, when I'm faced with a dilemma at work, I always try to be transparent about my thoughts, even if it means delivering bad news. I consider this approach ultimately leads to better outcomes in the long run."



INTERVIEW

10. What do you think will change in the next 10 years in terms of technology and communication?

Sample Answer:

"I'm under the impression that in the next 10 years, I think we'll see significant advancements in both technology and communication. Virtual reality might become more integrated into our daily lives, allowing for more immersive experiences, especially in education and work. We'll likely see smarter devices and more advanced AI tools that will make communication even more seamless. However, I do think we'll need to be careful about maintaining face-to-face interactions, as technology can sometimes make people feel more isolated rather than connected."

INTERACTION

Interaction Activity 1: "Technology in Daily Life"

Discussion Ideas:

- How has technology changed the way you communicate with friends and family?
- What are some of the advantages and disadvantages of using smartphones every day?
- Do you think technology makes people more isolated or more connected? Why?

Instructions:

You will have 3 minutes to prepare your ideas about technology and its impact on your daily life.

Interact for (5-6 minute pairs/ 6-7 minutes groups of three).

Take turns discussing your opinions on how technology has affected communication, both positively and negatively. Share examples from your personal experience.



INTERACTION

Interaction Activity 2: "Travel and Cultural Experiences"

Discussion Ideas:

- What are the benefits of traveling to different countries and experiencing other cultures?
- How do you usually prepare for a trip to a new place? What do you find most exciting about it?
- Can traveling make you a more open-minded person? Why or why not?

Instructions:

You will have 3 minutes to prepare your ideas about this topic and its impact on your daily life.

Interact for (5-6 minute pairs/ 6-7 minutes groups of three).

Take turns discussing your opinions. Share examples from your personal experience.



INTERACTION

Interaction Activity 3: "Work-Life Balance"

Discussion Ideas:

- What do you think is the key to maintaining a healthy work-life balance?
- How do you manage your time between work, family, and personal activities?
- Do you believe that technology makes it easier or harder to balance work and personal life? Why?

Instructions:

You will have 3 minutes to prepare your ideas about technology and its impact on your daily life.

Interact for (5-6 minute pairs/ 6-7 minutes groups of three).

Take turns discussing your opinions on this topic. Share examples from your personal experience.



VOCABULARY BANK

Nouns:

Routine

Interest

Challenge

Impression

Value

Preference

Benefit

Decision

Communication

Technology

*Dilemma

(a difficult choice between two options)

*Achievement

(a successful outcome, often after effort)

*Perspective

(a particular attitude or viewpoint)

Adjectives:

Challenging

Impressive

Important

Special

Unique

Different

Modern

Convenient

Reliable

Effective

*Intriguing

(something that catches your interest)

*Substantial

(considerable or important in amount or degree)

*Sophisticated

(complex or advanced in design)



VOCABULARY BANK

Linking Words:

Therefore
However
In addition /Moreover
On the other hand
In fact
Although
Finally
*Consequently
*In contrast to what I said before
*In spite of the fact that

Useful Expressions:

I believe that...
From my experience...
I'd say that...
I think it's important to highlight that...
What I mean by that is...
To be honest...
It depends on...
One thing that stands out is...
As far as I know...
*It's worth noting that...
(introducing something important)
*In hindsight...
(looking back after something has happened)
*That being said...
(introducing a contrasting point)



VOCABULARY BANK

Idioms/Expressions:

At the end of the day (ultimately)

A piece of cake (something easy)

Break the ice (to start a conversation)

On the same page (agreeing with someone)

The ball is in your court (it's your turn to act)

A silver lining (a positive aspect of a bad situation)

To go the extra mile (to do more than expected)

*Hit the nail on the head

(to describe exactly what is causing a situation or problem)

Ex. "I think you hit the nail on the head when you said that the team's lack of planning caused the delays in the event."

*Bite the bullet

(to do something unpleasant that you have been avoiding)

Ex. "John didn't want to go through the difficult conversation with his manager, but he knew he had to bite the bullet and address the issue."

*Burn the midnight oil

(to work late into the night)

Ex. "She's been burning the midnight oil to get everything ready for the presentation tomorrow."

