Lesson D Conversation strategies — Are you here for the concert?

1 Conversation strategy *How about you?*

A Look at the photo. Adam and Alicia are strangers. Guess three things they say.

B 1.15 Listen. Who's on vacation? Who's a student? Who's here for the concert?



Alicia Hi. How are you doing?
Adam Pretty good. How about you?
Alicia Good, thanks. It's a beautiful day.
Adam Yeah, it is. Are you here for the concert?
Alicia Yes. How about you?
Adam Well, yeah, but I'm a student here, too. So are you on vacation?
Alicia Yes, I am. By the way, I'm Alicia.
Adam I'm Adam. Nice to meet you. Well, have a nice day.
Alicia Thanks. You too.

C Notice how Adam and Alicia say *How about you?* to ask the same questions.

"How are you doing?"
"Pretty good. How about you?"

D Complete the conversations. Then practice with a partner.

1. A Hello. Are you here for the festival?
   B Yeah, I am. _____?
   A Yeah. Me too.

2. A Hi. How are you doing?
   B Good, thanks. How about you?
   A _____.

3. A Are you a student?
   B No, I'm a teacher.
   _____?
   A I'm a teacher, too.

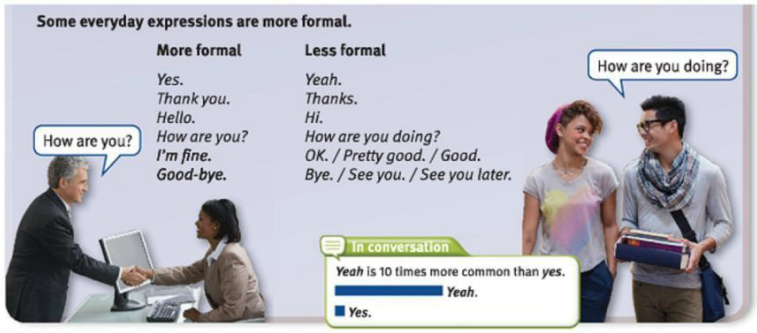
4. A It's a beautiful day. Are you on vacation?
   B Yes, I am. _____?
   A No. I'm a student here.

5. A I'm here on business. How about you?
   B No. _____.
   A Nice. Well, have a great vacation.

2 Strategy plus Everyday expressions

Some everyday expressions are more formal.

More formal	Less formal
Yes.	*Yeah.*
Thank you.	*Thanks.*
Hello.	*Hi.*
How are you?	*How are you doing?*
I'm fine.	*OK. / Pretty good. / Good.*
Good-bye.	*Bye. / See you. / See you later.*



In conversation
Yeah is 10 times more common than *yes*.
Yeah.
Yes.

About you **Complete these conversations with expressions from the box above. Then practice with a partner.**

1. Formal conversation

Jeff *Hello*, Mrs. Swan. _____?
Mrs. Swan _____, thank you. Uh, Jeff, are you here for English 3?
Jeff _____, I am.
Mrs. Swan Then you're in Room B. I'm the teacher for English 2.
Jeff Oh, _____. Well, have a nice day.
Mrs. Swan _____. You too. Enjoy your class! _____.

2. Less formal conversation

Kathy Hi, Mike, _____?
Mike _____. How about you?
Kathy _____. Are you here for a class?
Mike _____, I am. I'm here for yoga. How about you?
Kathy Oh, I'm here for a music class.
Mike Nice. Well, enjoy your class!
Kathy _____. You too.
Mike OK. _____.

3 Strategies In the park

About you **Pair work** Look at the picture. Choose an activity in the park. Role-play a conversation.

A Hi, how are you?
B Good, thanks. How about you?
A Pretty good. Are you here for the movie?

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