



Listening **Best Friends**

• Listen and write the questions.

- 1 W..... ?
- 2 W..... ?
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- 7 W..... ?
- 8 W..... ?
- 9 H..... ?
- 10 W..... ?
- 11 W..... ?

• Listen and repeat the questions. Make sure you link the words.

• Listen to an interview with Simon. Circle the answer you hear.

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| 1 | Jeremy | Julian | George |
| 2 | 1990 | 1999 | 1919 |
| 3 | Luton Airport | Heathrow Harbour | Heathrow Airport |
| 4 | Luton, England | London, England | Leavesden, England |
| 5 | Sheffield | the south of England | Shrewsbury |
| 6 | a doctor | a student | a scientist |
| 7 | tall, & outgoing | short, & shy | tall, & angry |
| 8 | plays music | reads music | listens to music |
| 9 | twice a year, in summer | once a year, in summer | once a year, in winter |
| 10 | go running in the mountains | go running in the mountains | go hiking in the mountains |
| 11 | getting married this year | getting divorced this year | getting married next year |

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Teacher Notes

The questions

- 1 Who's your best friend?
- 2 When did you first meet?
- 3 Where did you first meet?
- 4 Where's he from?
- 5 Where does he live?
- 6 Where does he live?
- 7 What's he like?
- 8 What does he do in his free time?
- 9 How often do you see each other?
- 10 What do you do together?
- 11 What is something interesting about him?

The answers

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Transcript (Use this transcript as you wish - perhaps you could make a cloze listening activity)

Richard: Hi Simon.

Simon: Hi Richard.

Richard: Erm ... Do you mind if I talk to you about your best friend?

Simon: Sure, that's fine!

Richard: O.K. Erm. First of all I want to ask you, erm, who's your best friend?

Simon: My best friend. His name is Julian.

Richard: Julian ... How do you spell that? Is that with a J or a G?

Simon: Yeh, that's with a J. So J U L I A N, Julian.

Richard: O.K. right, and erm...When did you first meet?

Simon: Oh, I first met Julian in 1990.

Richard: 1990, that's a long time ago. That's more than 10 years ago.

Simon: Yeh.

Richard: So he must be a very good friend.

Simon: He is, yeh.

Richard: Erm...Where did you first meet?

Simon: Actually, erm, I first met him at Heathrow Airport, in London.

Richard: Oh, that's a strange place to meet someone. Erm ...Where's he from?

Simon: He's... he's from London, he grew up in London in England.

Richard: Right, erm...Are you from London?

Simon: Yes I am, yeh.

Richard: So you're both from London, that's a coincidence. Erm ...Where does he live?

Simon: Now he lives in a city in the north of England called Sheffield.

Richard: Oh. O.K. Erm ...What does he do?

Simon: He's a ... he's a scientist.

Richard: A scientist ..., he must have a very big brain!

Simon: He's a smart guy!

Richard: Erm ...What's he like?

Simon: He's tall, and he has a very bright and outgoing personality. He's very friendly.

Richard: Oh, O.K. Just like you!

Simon: Yeh, I'm sure, yeah!

Richard: Erm ...What does he do in his free time?

Simon: He err, he listens to music all the time, he loves listening to music. And sometimes he goes swimming and hiking.

Richard: Oh... he's got many many pastimes, that's interesting. Erm. How often do you see each other?

Simon: Well, I live in Japan and he lives in England, so I see him once a year.

Richard: And ... when do you see him? In the summer?

Simon: Yes, that's right. I usually go back to England in the summer.

Richard: O.K. So you see him once a year in the summer.

Simon: Yes.

Richard: Erm.What do you do together?

Simon:Well, near his house there are some beautiful mountains, so we often go hiking in the mountains, in the north of England.

Richard: Wow, that's nice. Erm ... could you tell me? What is something interesting about him?

Simon: Well, this year is a very big year for Julian, because he's getting married this year.

Richard: Oh! Is he getting married to another English girl, or a Japanese girl, or ... ?

Simon: He's marrying an English girl, a lovely young girl lady called Christine.

Richard: Oh! I'd like to meet her one day.And I think I'd like to meet your best friend one day as well.

Simon: Sure.

Richard: O.K. , well, thanks a lot for talking.

Simon:Thank you.



Speaking **Best Friends**

- Ask the questions and write a short answer.
- Remember to ask follow-up questions to get more information.

Questions	Partner 1	Partner 2
1 Who's your best friend?		
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5 Where does s/he live?		
6 What does s/he do?		
7 What's s/he like?		
8 What does s/he do in her/his free time?		
9 How often do you see each other?		
10 What do you do together?		
11 What is something interesting about her/him?		
12 <i>Your question</i>		
13 <i>Your question</i>		
14 <i>Your question</i>		