

## **SAMPLE TOPICS AND QUESTIONS**

For the 1 st year students

### **1. Hometown**

Where is your hometown?

What do you like about it?

Were there any changes in your hometown in recent years?

### **2. Daily routine**

1. What was your typical day like at university ?

2. Is there anything you don't like about your studies?

### **3. Family**

How many people are there in your immediate family?

Who do you get on best within your family?

What do you do together with your family?

### **4. Home**

What can you tell me about the place you live in?

Is there anything you would like to change about the place you live in?

Do you plan to live there for a long time?

### **5. Weather**

What's your favourite kind of weather?

Is there any type of weather you really don't like?

What is the climate like in your country?

### **6. Transportation**

Do you prefer public transportation or private transportation?

What's the most popular means of transportation in your hometown?

How has public transportation changed in recent years?

### **7. Friends**

Do you have a best friend?

How often do you meet with your friends?

What do you spend your time with them?

## **8. Lifestyle**

What do you do in your free time?

Do you have a busy social life?

Has your life changed much in the last year?

## **9. TV**

Do you like watching TV?

How often do you watch TV?

What kind of TV programs do you like to watch?

## **10. Books**

Do you like reading books?

How often do you read?

Do you have many books at home?

## **11. Theatre**

How often do you go to the theatre?

Are theatre tickets expensive in your country?

What are the advantages of seeing a play at the theatre?

## **12. Ads**

Do you like watching advertisements?

Will you buy something because of an advertisement?

Do you like funny or serious advertisements?

## **13. Films**

What kind of movies do you like?

Do you usually watch films alone or with others?

Which actor would you like to play you in a film?

#### **14.Computers**

Do you use computers?

What do you use a computer to do?

Do you think computers changed your life a lot?

#### **15.Music**

Do you listen to music?

What's your favorite kind of music?

What kinds of music are (most) popular in your country?

#### **16.Newspapers**

Do you often read newspapers?

Do you prefer to read local news or international news?

Which is more popular where you live, newspapers or magazines?

#### **17.Traveling**

Where was the last place you visited on holiday?

Would you like to go back there again?

What kind of tourist destinations do you usually prefer?

#### **18. The internet**

How important is the Internet to you?

Do you use the Internet more for work or in your free time?

Do you think you use the Internet too much?

#### **19. Sports**

Do you like outdoor activities?

What outdoor sports do you like?

How much time do you spend outdoors every week?

## **20. Reading**

Do people read more nowadays?

What is one example of traditional literature in your country?

Do you like reading the traditional literature of your country?

## **21. Cities**

In your opinion, what makes a city a good one to live in?

What are the advantages of living in a city?

In your opinion, what are the negative aspects of crowded cities?

## **22. Clothes**

Why do some companies ask their staff to wear uniforms?

What are the advantages and disadvantages of having uniforms at work?

Do you think people are treated differently when they are in uniform?

## **23. History**

Do you think history is important?

What do you think we can learn by studying history?

Do you think people can learn history from films or TV programs?

## **24. Holiday**

Why do people go on holiday?

How important is it for families to go on holiday together?

Why do some people go on holiday alone?

## **25. Shopping**

What things do young people like to buy in your country?

Is it a good idea to save money?

Do you think that people are happier if they have money?