

apartment

karaoke

country

people

free

play

from

prefer

important

where



 **Audio Track 1**

**Conversation Interview Questions** Fill in the blanks with the above word choices. Listen to the interview. Write or circle the answers you hear next to the questions. Question translations are on page 121.

1. So, \_\_\_\_\_ do you live?
2. Where are you \_\_\_\_\_? *Seattle / Chicago / San Francisco*
3. Do you live in a house or an \_\_\_\_\_?
4. How many \_\_\_\_\_ are there in your family?
5. What do you like to do in your \_\_\_\_\_ time?
6. Do you ever go to \_\_\_\_\_? ( *Sure! I go to karaoke, maybe  
) or ( ) a month.*
7. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ any sports?
8. Have you ever been to another \_\_\_\_\_?
9. Which would you \_\_\_\_\_ doing on a Friday  
night, go to a night club or watch a movie?
10. Do you think it's more \_\_\_\_\_ to have a  
lot of friends or just a few, really close friends?

**Correct Questions:** /10

**Correct Answers:** /10

## Useful Vocabulary

awesome すごい

concert ライブ

far from the university 大学から遠い

close to the university 大学に近い

hometown 故郷・地元

prefecture 県

two-story house 2階建ての家

actually 実は

prefer ～をより好む・～の方がいい

apartment アパート

condominium 分譲マンション

dormitory 寮

mansion 豪邸

I live alone. 一人暮らしです。

abroad 海外

science fiction SF

romantic comedy ラブコメディ

couch potato ソファでポテチを食べながら  
だらだらテレビを見ること

## Something's Not Quite Right!

Try to find out what is **STRANGE** or **INCORRECT** about the following sentences.

X I have five families.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ in my family.

X We went to an awesome rock live last weekend.

We went to an awesome rock \_\_\_\_\_ last weekend.

X I have an old brother and a young sister.

I have an \_\_\_\_\_ brother and a \_\_\_\_\_ sister.

## Exercises

The following sentences are possible answers to the **INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**.

Write the words in the correct order.

- I live in **Kobe**,  
( station. / Sannomiya / near / ~~Kobe~~ )
- I'm from a small  
( prefecture. / Wakayama / in / town )
- I  
( a / house. / two-story / live / in )
- There  
( people / in / family. / four / my / are )
- In my free time,  
( like / to / TV / music. / I / or listen / to watch )
- Actually,  
( much. / don't / like / I / very / karaoke )
- I don't play \_\_\_\_\_  
( any / or / any / exercise. / do / sports )
- I've never been to another country,  
( but / go. / really / want / I / to )
- I think I'd  
( a / club. / to / prefer / night / go / to )
- I think \_\_\_\_\_  
( friends. / it's / to have / important / a lot of / more )

I'm a couch potato.

correct

/10

## I Getting to Know You

A: Japanese Man  
B: American Woman

A: Hi, Emma.

B: Hey, Haruto. **What's up?**<sup>1</sup>

A: **Not much**<sup>2</sup>. **Um...**<sup>3</sup> are you ready for the interview?

B: **Yep**<sup>4</sup>!

A: OK. Great.

### A: (1) So, where do you live?

B: I live in Osaka.

A: Oh, yeah?

Where in Osaka?

B: I live near the university, close to Namba station.

A: That's cool. How long does it take you to get to school?

B: **Mmm...**<sup>5</sup> about 5 minutes, by bike.

### A: (2) Where are you from?

B: I grew up in Chicago.

A: **Uh-huh**<sup>6</sup>. **What's Chicago like?**<sup>7</sup>

B: Mmm..., it's a big city, but the people are really friendly.

A: Do you miss it?

B: Yeah, a little bit.

### A: (3) Do you live in a house or an apartment?

B: Right now I live in a tiny, **studio apartment**<sup>8</sup>.

A: Do you like it?

B: Yeah, I do. It's very **cozy**<sup>9</sup> and it's close to the university and **the rent isn't so bad**<sup>10</sup>.

### A: (4) How many people are there in your family?

B: Mmm..., I'm an only child. So, just me..., my mom and dad. We also have a dog, named Snoopy.

A: (Haha) That's cool. What kind of dog?

B: A beagle, of course.

### A: (5) What do you like to do in your free time?

B: **Hmm...**<sup>11</sup> in my free time I like to go shopping and play the guitar.

A: You play the guitar? Really?

B: Yeah. I love it!

A: That's **awesome**<sup>12</sup>!

B: Thanks.

### A: (6) Do you ever go to karaoke<sup>13</sup>?

B: Sure! Maybe once or twice a month. How about you?

A: Me? Never. I **hate**<sup>14</sup> karaoke. I can't sing at all.

### A: (7) Do you play any sports?

B: Yeah. I go jogging a couple of times a week and I'll go to the gym once in a while.

A: That's good. I don't think I could run a kilometer and I've never been in a gym.

B: You should try it. It's good for you.

### A: (8) Have you ever been to another country?

B: Yeah. I've been to China, Mexico and **Thailand**<sup>15</sup>.

A: That's cool. I've never been abroad.

B: Do you want to go somewhere?

A: Yeah. **If I had a chance**<sup>16</sup>, I'd go to Australia.

### A: (9) Which would you prefer<sup>17</sup> doing on a Friday night, go to a night club or watch a movie?

B: Mmm..., it's **hard to choose**<sup>18</sup>. I like both. Watch a movie..., I guess.

A: What kind of movies do you like? Action, comedy, love stories?

B: Actually, I like science fiction.

A: Cool. Like, Star Wars.

B: Yeah.

### A: (10) Do you think it's more important to have a lot of friends or just a few, really close friends?

B: Mmm..., I guess a few, really close friends.

A: Why do you think so?

B: Hmm..., I think it's important to have friends that you are really close to and can talk to about anything.

A: Good. Well, thanks for the interview.

B: Sure, anytime.

A: **Oh, by the way**<sup>19</sup>, do you have any plans for this weekend?

B: Not really. Why?

A: I'm **gonna**<sup>20</sup> **hang out with some friends**<sup>21</sup> and maybe see a movie. You **wanna**<sup>22</sup> come?

B: Um..., sure. Let me know when and where.

A: OK!

B: Hey, **I gotta go**<sup>23</sup>. **I'll catch ya later**<sup>24</sup>.

A: OK, bye!

## Tapescript Vocabulary

1 元気?・調子はどう?

(友人等との挨拶。How's it going? よりカジュアル)

2 まあまあだよ

(what's upの返事の一つ)

3 ええと、

4 うん・OK

(yesよりカジュアル)

5 ええと、

6 そうか・なるほど(相づち)

7 シカゴってどんな所?

8 1ルームマンション

9 (こじんまりしていて)

居心地の良い

10 家賃も悪くない・高くない。

11 ええと、

12 すごい・かっこいい

13 カラオケ

14 嫌い

15 タイ

16 もし機会があれば

17 どちらの方がいい

18 選ぶのは難しい

19 ああ、それはそうと・

ところで(話題を変える時)

20 するつもり(going to の略)

21 友達と集まる

22 したい(want to の略)

23 もう行かなきゃ

(I got to goの略)

24 じゃあね、またね

(see you laterとほぼ同意)

