

Getting to know you

Part one

Below are my answers to some questions someone might ask in order to get to know me. Work in pairs to try to find the questions. *You may find that there is more than one possible question for some of the answers.*

1. I'm Sébastien Galan. Pleased to meet you.

2. The southwest of France. My hometown is called Anglet.

3. It's about 5 minutes' drive from the Atlantic coast and 20minutes' drive from Spain.

4. It's very green and sunny with lots of rugby players, golfers and surfers.

5. I usually go there at the weekend.

6. No I'm not.

7. Pau University. My latest diploma is a Master Degree in American literature

8. I'm a language instructor. I teach English and also French as a foreign language.

9. For 20 years.

10. Because I'm fascinated by languages and I get a lot of satisfaction out sharing knowledge and exchanging.

11. I speak English fluently, and Spanish (my German's pretty rusty now, due to lack of practice!). I speak a little "survival" Basque, Biarnes and Japanese.

12. Lots of patience and a pen.

13. I work five to six days per week.

14. Yes I do. 2 boys.

15. I don't have much free time, but when I can, I go hiking in the mountains or even just strolling in the countryside where we live. I run, snowboard and skateboard, though I'm a bit old for that. In the evenings I like reading or going out for a drink and at weekends I occasionally go to the cinema & see my friends.

16. Yes, I have. In Europe, mainly, but I also went to Australia, the US, HK, Mexico, Japan and some Mediterranean islands.

17. Ideally, I'd really like to explore Asia; Nepal, for example, but I think I'll have to wait until the children are older.

18. I'm not sure yet. If the weather's nice, I'll probably have a drink with friends at a good spot overlooking the ocean.

Part two

a. Underline all the question words you used in part one (e.g.: "What"). How many more question words can you think of? List them.

b. Identify all the different verb forms used in the questions in part one. Which refer to the past, the present, the future? Are there any that refer to a combination of time periods?

Part three**Question Structure**

Decide if the question is grammatically correct or incorrect. Rewrite it if necessary.

· Who wrote the book "Of Mice and Men"?

Correct

Incorrect

· When they get married?

Correct

Incorrect

· How much it costs?

Correct

Incorrect

· What size do you wear?

Correct

Incorrect

· Who he sent a card to?

Correct

Incorrect

· How long will it take you to get there?

Correct

Incorrect

· Where he born?

Correct

Incorrect

· Whose painting the art critic talking about?

Correct

Incorrect

· Who are offering us help?

Correct

Incorrect

· What caused the boy's death?

Correct

Incorrect

Part four

Ask the question about underlined element.

1. Well, I live in an unusual house.
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2. My house was a lighthouse thirty years ago.
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3. We have two bedrooms, a kitchen, a toilet ... everything a house needs.
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4. All the walls are round, so it's difficult to get furniture.
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5. My father is a carpenter; he made all the furniture himself.
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6. I helped, of course.
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7. We had a garden, but we decided not to grow anything anymore, because all the plants died.
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8. I have my own room right at the top.
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9. My brother had his on the first floor.
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10. He moved away, because he got married, so now we have a computer room there.
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11. My uncle and his son are visiting this week.
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12. We all go cycling every day to the nearest village.

13. Usually we travel everywhere by boat, but this week we're cycling.

14. My cousin gets seasick, can you imagine that!
