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## Where are you from?

- ▶ Introduce oneself and others
- ▶ Talk about oneself and learn about others

### 1 CONVERSATION Please call me Alexa.

▶ Listen and practice.

**Arturo:** Hello, I'm Arturo Valdez.

**Alexa:** Hi. My name is Alexandra Costa, but please call me Alexa.

**Arturo:** OK. Where are you from, Alexa?

**Alexa:** Brazil. How about you?

**Arturo:** I'm from Mexico.

**Alexa:** Oh, I love Mexico! It's really beautiful. Oh, good. Soo-jin is here.

**Arturo:** Who's Soo-jin?

**Alexa:** She's my classmate. We're in the same business class.

**Arturo:** Where's she from?

**Alexa:** South Korea. Let's go and say hello. Sorry, what's your last name again? Vargas?

**Arturo:** Actually, it's Valdez.

**Alexa:** How do you spell that?

**Arturo:** V-A-L-D-E-Z.



### 2 SPEAKING Checking information

**A PAIR WORK** Introduce yourself with your full name. Use the expressions in the box. Talk to the classmate sitting next to you and to three more classmates.

**A:** Hi! I'm Akemi Shimizu.

**A:** Shimizu.

**B:** I'm sorry. What's your last name again?

**B:** How do you spell that?

**B CLASS ACTIVITY** Tell the class the name of the first classmate you talked to. Make a list of names.

"Her name is Akemi Shimizu. She spells her name . . ."

#### useful expressions

Hi! I'm . . .

I'm sorry. What's your first / last name again?

How do you spell that?

What do people call you?

### 3 CONVERSATION This is Arturo Valdez.

▶ A Listen and practice.

**Alexa**

Hi Soo-jin, this is Arturo Valdez. He's a biology student.

**Soo-jin**

Nice to meet you, Arturo. I'm Soo-jin Kim.

**Arturo**

Hi. So, you're from South Korea?

**Soo-jin**

That's right. I'm from Seoul.

**Arturo**

Cool! What's Seoul like?

**Soo-jin**

It's really nice. It's a very exciting city.



▶ B Listen to the rest of the conversation. What city is Arturo from? What's it like?

### 4 PRONUNCIATION Linked sounds

▶ Listen and practice. Notice how final consonant sounds are often linked to the vowels that follow them.

I'm a biology student. My friend is over there. My name is Alexandra Costa.

### 5 GRAMMAR FOCUS

▶ Statements with *be*; possessive adjectives

#### Statements with *be*

I'm from Mexico.

You're from Brazil.

He's from Japan.

She's a business student.

It's an exciting city.

We're in the same class.

They're my classmates.

#### Contractions of *be*

I'm = I am

you're = you are

he's = he is

she's = she is

it's = it is

we're = we are

they're = they are

#### Possessive adjectives

my

your

his

her

its

our

their

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**A** Complete these sentences. Then tell a partner about yourself.

1. My name is Aiko Yoshida. from Japan. family is in Nagoya. brother is a college student. name is Haruki.
2. name is Matias. from Santiago. a really nice city. sister is a student here. parents are in Chile right now.
3. Angelica, but everyone calls me Angie. last name is Newton. a student at City College. parents are on vacation this week. in Las Vegas.



## ▶ Wh-questions with be

Where's your friend? He's in class.  
 Who's Soo-jin? She's my classmate.  
 What's Seoul like? It's a very exciting city.  
 Where are you and Vanessa from? We're from Brazil.  
 How are your classes? They're pretty interesting.  
 What are your classmates like? They're really nice.

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For a list of countries and nationalities, see the appendix at the back of the book.

B Complete these questions. Then practice with a partner.

- A: Who's that? B: Oh, that's Mrs. Adams.
- A: she from? B: She's from San Diego.
- A: her first name? B: It's Caroline.
- A: the two students over there? B: Their names are Mason and Ava.
- A: they from? B: They're from Vancouver.
- A: they ? B: They're shy, but very friendly.

C GROUP WORK Write five questions about your classmates. Then ask and answer the questions.

What's your last name?  
 Where's Jay from?

## 6 SNAPSHOT

### SCHOOL SUBJECTS



Write the names of the school subjects under the pictures.  
 What is (or was) your favorite school subject?  
 What subjects don't (or didn't) you like?

math literature  
 history chemistry  
 physics geography  
 biology physical education

## 7 CONVERSATION How's it going?

▶ Listen and practice.

Arturo: Hi, Soo-jin!  
 Soo-jin: Hey Arturo. How's it going?  
 Arturo: Great! How are you?  
 Soo-jin: I'm fine, thanks. So, are your classes interesting this semester?  
 Arturo: Yes, they are. I really love biology.  
 Soo-jin: Biology? Are you and Alexa in the same class?  
 Arturo: No, we aren't. My class is in the morning. Her class is in the afternoon.  
 Soo-jin: Oh, OK. Hey, do you have time for coffee?  
 Arturo: Sure. I'd love some coffee.



## 8 GRAMMAR FOCUS

▶ Yes/No questions and short answers with be

Are you free?	Yes, I am.	No, I'm not.
Is Arturo from Mexico?	Yes, he is.	No, he's not./No, he isn't.
Is Alexa's class in the morning?	Yes, it is.	No, it's not./No, it isn't.
Are you and Alexa in the same class?	Yes, we are.	No, we're not./No, we aren't.
Are your classes interesting?	Yes, they are.	No, they're not./No, they aren't.

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A Complete the conversations. Then practice with a partner.

- A: Is Mr. Jones from the United States? B: Yes, he is from Baltimore.
- A: English class at 2:00? B: No, it is at 3:00.
- A: you and Giovanna from Italy? B: Yes, we are from Milan.
- A: Mr. and Mrs. Flores Brazilian? B: No, they are Peruvian.

B Answer these questions. If you answer "no," give the correct information. Then ask your partner the questions.

- Are you from the United States?
- Is your teacher from Canada?
- Is your English class in the morning?
- Are you free after class?

C GROUP WORK Write five questions about your classmates. Then ask and answer the questions.

Are Kate and Phil from Chicago?



## 9 WORD POWER Hello and good-bye

**A** Do you know these expressions? Which ones are "hellos" and which ones are "good-byes"? Complete the chart. Add expressions of your own.

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|------------------|--------------------|
| ✓ Bye.           | How are you?       |
| ✓ Good morning.  | How's it going?    |
| Good night.      | See you later.     |
| Have a good day. | See you tomorrow.  |
| Hey.             | Talk to you later. |
| Hi.              | What's up?         |

Hello	Good-bye
Good morning.	Bye.



**B** Match each expression with the best response.

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Have a good day. | a. Oh, not much.        |
| 2. Hi. How are you? | b. Thank you. You, too. |
| 3. What's up?       | c. Good morning.        |
| 4. Good morning.    | d. Pretty good, thanks. |

**C CLASS ACTIVITY** Practice saying hello. Then practice saying good-bye.

- A:** Hi, Sakura. How's it going?  
**B:** Pretty good, thanks. How are you?

## 10 LISTENING Everyone calls me Bill.

**A** Listen to the conversations. Complete the information about each person.

First name	Last name	Where from?	What do they study?
1. William			
2.	Ortiz		
3. Min-soo			

## 11 INTERCHANGE 1 Getting to know you

Find out about your classmates. Go to Interchange 1 on page 114.

## 12 READING

**A** Look at the names in the article. Are any of the names popular in your country? What similar names can you think of?

### IS YOUR NAME *Trendy?*

Some people have names that are very unusual and unique. Think about the actress Emily Blunt, for example. Her daughters' names are Hazel (an eye color) and Violet (a flower). Alicia Keys has a son named Egypt. How cool is that? Are these names trendy? The answer is . . . maybe.

Many names seem to be trendy for a while, just like clothes. In the United States, some grandmothers and great-grandmothers have names like Mildred and Dorothy. For grandfathers and great-grandfathers, it's old names like Eugene or Larry. These names usually come from Greek and Latin, but they're not very popular now.

Parents sometimes choose names because they like an actor or a famous person. That's how trends usually start. For example, David and Victoria Beckham have a son named Brooklyn and a daughter named Harper. Now, Brooklyn is a popular boy's name and Harper is a popular girl's name. In the United Kingdom, baby boys often get the name George because of Prince George, Prince William and Kate Middleton's first child.

There is also a trend for names that are things or places (like Egypt). Flower names are becoming more popular: Poppy, Daisy, and Lotus, for example. Space names are cool, too. More and more babies have names like Orion (a star), Luna (the moon), or Mars (a planet).



### POPULAR NAMES FOR BOYS & GIRLS

Can you guess who helped make these names popular?

BOYS	GIRLS
Bruno	January
Leonardo	Angelina
Liam	Audrey



Bruno Mars, Leonardo di Caprio, January Jones, Audrey Jolie, Angelina Jolie, Victoria Beckham

**B** Read the article. Then check (✓) the sentences that are true.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Baby names like Mildred and Larry aren't so trendy now.        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Many babies are named after clothes.                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Alicia Keys has a son named Hazel.                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. There is a famous prince named George.                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Some girls' names are the same as flower names.                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Babies never have names that are the same as planets or stars. |

**C GROUP WORK** What names do you like? Can you think of anyone with an unusual name? Do you know how they got that name? Tell your classmates.