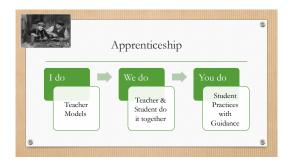
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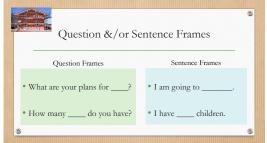
#### **Conversation Skills:**

- Making exclamations
- Asking follow up questions
- Introducing a topic

- Using body language
- Confirming your own understanding and asking for clarification
- · Repeating /Rephrasing what the other person said
- Making polite corrections if the person misunderstands you

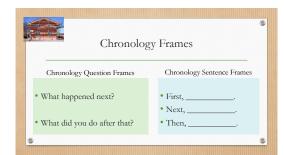
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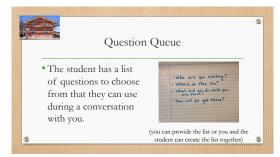


**Initiating Small Talk** 

Using sequence / time cues











## **Teaching Conversation**

#### **Activities to get students talking:**

# Photo Prompt Page ding Prompt

- Student shares a photo from their week
- Tutor shares a photo from their week
- Current events photo
- Topic-specific photo (nature, food, school, etc.)



- News For You: <a href="https://www.newsforyouonline.com/">https://www.newsforyouonline.com/</a>
   (get our LVCA account sign in from <a href="Maureen">Maureen</a>)
- NewsELA: <a href="https://newsela.com/">https://newsela.com/</a>
   (you can create a free account)
- Voice of America: <a href="https://learningenglish.voanews.com/">https://learningenglish.voanews.com/</a>
- See the <u>reading resources page</u> on our website for additional options



You can role play various formal and information conversation scenarios such as:

- Informal conversations with co-workers
- Work-related conversations with supervisors
- School-related conversations with children's teachers
- Conversations with Doctor and/or Doctor's Office



You and your student each gets a list of facts about a famous person or event (ideally, pick a logical pair and things of interest to your student)

You have to learn about each other's topic by asking & answering questions about them.

#### Small Talk Topic of the Week

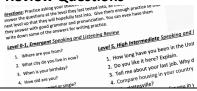


Your student can choose a small talk topic to practice chatting about each week, such as:

- Holidays
- Hometown
- Hobbies
- Food

- Sports
- Entertainment
- Family
- Weather

# Speaking & Listening Test Review Questions



Use the <u>speaking & listening test review questions</u> on our tutor resources page as question prompts for conversations with your student.