

# Conversation Questions

## New Year's Day

A Part of Conversation Questions for the ESL Classroom.

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- Are any of the things similar to New Year's celebrations in your country?
- What traditional ways of welcoming the New Year do you have in your family or in your region?
- How old are your New Year traditions? Did your grandparents celebrate in the same way?
- Are children allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve in your country?
- Are there any special meals or activities for New Year's day?
- What are you and your family planning to do this year?
- Did you speak English over the holidays? Who with?
- Did you read anything in English, or see an English film? Which one?
- Did you celebrate New Year's Eve? What did you do?
- Were these holidays 'typical' holidays? Did you do anything different? What?
- Did you see your family this holiday? Who did you see?
- Did you have a special meal during the holidays? What did you eat?
- Can you think of two things you were happy about from last year?
- What are you looking forward to this year? If you aren't looking forward to this year, why aren't you?
- Have you ever made any of these popular New Year's resolutions?
  - Would you like to do make any of them?
    - Quit smoking?
    - Eat more healthily?
    - Do more exercise?
    - Lose weight?
    - Learn a language?
  - Are you going to take a holiday this year?
    - Where are you going to go?
  - Have you ever made a New Year's resolution?
    - What was it?
    - Were you successful?
  - If you had another week of holidays, what would you do?
  - What two things would you like to see or do this year?
  - Can you think of funny or serious resolutions for the following people.
    - Barak Obama?
    - The Queen?
    - A famous pop star you like?
  - Was last year a good year for you? In what way or why not?

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If you can think of another good question for this list, please add it.

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