# 1A Who am I?

Activity type: Speaking – Information gap – Groups of six

Aim: To practise talking about yourself and asking questions

Language: Talk to someone for the first time – Coursebook p11

Preparation: Make one copy of the two worksheets for every six learners and cut each

worksheet along the dotted line to make sets of six cards.

Time: 20 minutes

- Draw a blank table on the board with these headings: *Name*, *From*, *Live*, *Married*, *Children*. Write your first name under *Name*. Ask a strong learner to come to the board. Say: *My name's (Anne)*. *I'm from (England)*. Indicate that the learner should write where you are from under *From*. Next, say: *I live (in Cambridge)*. Encourage the learner to write your town or city name under *Live*. Say if you are married and how many children you have, e.g. *I am married and I have three children*. Encourage the learner to write *Yes* or *No* under *Married* and the number of children under *Children*
- Divide the class into groups of six. Give each learner in the group a different role card. (If you have more than six learners in a group, two learners can share a card and take turns to speak. If you have less than six learners in a group, stronger learners can have two cards or two weaker learners can share one card.) Look at a role card. Tell learners that this shows their name, where they are from, where they live, etc. Look at the table. Explain that they will speak to other learners in their group and fill in the table.

Remind learners of language they can use and write it on the board: *My name's* ...; *I'm from* ...; *I live in* ...; *I'm (not) married*; *I have* ... *children / child*. Point out that the spellings of the names and places are above the table.

- 3 Learners mingle within their group and talk to one other person at a time. They say their information and the other learner writes it in the table. Go round and check as learners are speaking.
- When they have completed the table, learners sit down and compare answers with their partners and the rest of the class.

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan	Poland	near London	yes	1
Amal	Iraq	in Dubai	yes	3
Li	China	in Hong Kong	yes	2
Yuki	Japan	near Tokyo	no	no
Cris	Mexico	in San Francisco	yes	4
Mel	England	near Manchester	yes	no

#### **Extension**

In the same group, learners mingle and talk to others using their real information.

# **1A** Who am **IP 1**

Amal Cris Li Mel Yuki
England Iraq Japan Mexico
in San Francisco in Hong Kong near Tokyo

### You

Name: Jan From: Poland Live: near London Married: yes Children: 1

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan	Poland	near London	yes	1
		in Dubai		
	China			
			no	
				4
		near Manchester		

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Cris Li Mel Yuki England Japan Mexico Poland near London in San Francisco in Hong Kong near Tokyo

### You

Name: Amal From: Iraq Live: in Dubai Married: yes Children: 3

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan				
Amal	Iraq	in Dubai	yes	3
	China			
			no	
				4
		near Manchester		

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Amal Cris Mel Yuki England Iraq Japan Mexico Poland near London in San Francisco near Tokyo

# You

Name: Li

From: China

Live: in Hong Kong

Married: yes Children: 2

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan				
		in Dubai		
Li	China	in Hong Kong	yes	2
			no	
				4
		near Manchester		

# 1A Who am IP 2

Amal Cris Li Mel
England Iraq Mexico Poland
near London in San Francisco in Hong Kong

### You

Name: Yuki
From: Japan
Live: near Tokyo
Married: no
Children: no

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan				
		in Dubai		
	China			
Yuki	Japan	near Tokyo	no	no
				4
		near Manchester		

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Amal Li Mel Yuki England Iraq Japan Poland near London in Hong Kong near Tokyo

### You

Name: Cris From: Mexico

Live:

in San Francisco
Married: yes
Children: 4

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan				
		in Dubai		
	China			
			no	
Cris	Mexico	in San Francisco	yes	4
		near Manchester		

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Amal Cris Li Yuki Iraq Japan Mexico Poland near London in San Francisco in Hong Kong near Tokyo

# You

Name: Mel From: England

Live:

near Manchester
Married: yes
Children: no

Name	From	Live	Married	Children
Jan				
		in Dubai		
	China			
			no	
				4
Mel	England	near Manchester	yes	no