

Use rejoinders and follow-up questions and practise the dialogues below.

example: A: I got a new job!
 B: Really? When do you start?
rejoinder follow-up
 A: This Friday. I can't wait!

- 1) A: How was your day?
 B: It was OK. We had an English test at school.
 A: _____
 B: Really well, actually. I think I got a perfect score.

- 2) B: When are you going to Canada?
 A: Tomorrow morning!
 B: _____
 A: No, I still haven't even thought about packing.
 I guess I'll be busy tonight!

- 3) A: How did the soccer game go?
 B: Umm, we got creamed! (= *We lost badly*)
 A: _____
 B: Yeah, it's never boring, but it's always more fun when you win.

- 4) B: Did you buy anything when you were out shopping?
 A: Yes! I spent 10 000 yen on this beautiful hat.
 B: _____
 A: Yes, I admit it's expensive, but I really wanted it,
 and I've been saving money to buy it for several months.

- 5) A: What's for lunch today?
 B: Fish, rice, pickles.... Same as usual.
 A: _____
 B: I don't know why there's no variety. We should complain.

- 6) B: What are you doing this Saturday?
 A: I'm visiting my grandfather. He's in the hospital.
 B: _____
 A: He broke his leg. He'll be alright.

Partner A

Practice with a friend giving rejoinders to these comments. Follow through with follow-up question and comments to make a conversation.

I failed my math test last week.
I passed my entrance exam.
We didn't win the tennis match.
I'm moving to India.
My brother is getting married.
My father is very ill in hospital.
I'm pregnant!
I can belly dance.
I have a class this afternoon.
I like sushi.
My brother likes to wear lady's clothes.
My mother is a ski instructor.
I can speak 12 languages.
I hate jelly beans.
I'm allergic to peanuts.
I love swimming.
I have no friends.
I have a new boyfriend.
I broke up with my boyfriend.
My dog got run over by a car.
I feel sick!
It's 12 o'clock.
I have to go to the bathroom.
I had eggs for breakfast.
I don't know how to type.
I'm really good at using computers.
I was a bird in my former life.
I got an A in English!
I won the speech contest!
I came in last in the marathon.
The other team kicked our butts! (=they beat us badly; they "creamed" us)
I forgot the kanji for 「私」.
I can play the guitar rather well.
I'm going to Tokyo to study translation.
I walked naked through the park yesterday afternoon.
I have 26 pet cats.
My uncle is Kimutaku's brother.
I don't have to work today.

Partner B

Practice with a friend giving rejoinders to these comments. Follow through with follow-up question and comments to make a conversation.

I failed my English test last week.

I passed my math exam.

We didn't win the soccer game.

I'm moving to Somalia.

My brother is getting divorced.

My cat is very sick.

I'm pregnant!

I can eat carrots.

I have work this afternoon.

I like peanut butter.

My boyfriend likes to wear lady's clothes.

My mother is an aerobic dance instructor.

I can speak French.

I hate squid.

I'm allergic to tomatoes.

I love sailing.

I have no brothers or sisters.

I have a new girlfriend.

I broke up with my boyfriend.

My pet got run over by a truck.

I'm going to be sick!

It's 1 o'clock.

I have to go to the washroom.

I had toast for breakfast.

I don't know how to write kanji characters.

I'm really good at dancing naked.

I was a mouse in my former life.

I got an F in English!

I won the speech contest!

I came first in the marathon.

The other team won the game yesterday.

I forgot the kanji for 「一生懸命」.

I can play the piano rather well.

I'm going to Tokyo because I love big cities.

I walked through the park yesterday afternoon in only my underwear.

I have 26 pet rats.

My father is the PM's (=the Prime Minister's) brother.

I have 3 ex-wives.