

Love and Relationships Vocabulary

Choose one of the expressions below. Make a (personal or opinion) question about that thing and/ or using those words, then flip a coin. If you get heads (= the picture side) you can ask someone else in your group that question, but if you get tails (= the number side) you must answer your own question. In other words:

- **Heads = Ask**

- **Tails = Tell**

If whoever has to answer rejects that (with phrases like “I’d rather not say” or “That’s a bit personal”), they miss their next chance to make the question. People can ask follow up questions if they want to, but you don’t have to answer those extra questions if you don’t want to.

Suggested questions

“At what age...?”

“Are you good at...?”

“Do you approve of...?”

“Do you think it’s okay to...?”

“Do you think it’s true that...?”

“Do you think people should...?”

“Do you think... is a good enough reason to...?”

“Has anyone you know...?”

“Have you ever...?”

“How can you decide if...?”

“How do you feel about...?”

“How important is... (to you)?”

“How would you feel if...?”

“How would you... (if you had to/ if the opportunity arose)?”

“Under what circumstances is it okay to...?”

“Under what circumstances might you...?”

“What are the (dis)advantages of...?”

“What do you (usually) do...?”

“What do you think about...?”

“What have people told you about...?”

“What kind of...?”

“What would make you...?”

“What would you do if your son/ daughter/ boyfriend/ girlfriend/ father/ mother/ husband/ wife/ sister/ brother...?”

“What would you do if... told you that...?”

“What would you... if...?”

“What’s the best/ worst/ most... (if...)?”

“When did you first/ last...?”

“Would you (ever)...?”

“Would you... if...?”

“Would you say (that you)...?”

Love and relationships vocabulary to ask questions about/ with

(have an) abortion	(have) an affair	(golden/ silver/ diamond) anniversary
anonymous	arranged marriage	ask for someone's hand (in marriage)/ propose
ask someone out (on a date)	beautiful/ fit/ good looking/ handsome/ pretty	best man('s speech)
bi(sexual)	blind date	break up/ split up
bun in the oven/ knocked up/ pregnant	chat up (line)	cheat (on)/ two time/ mess around
compliment	contraception (e.g. the pill)	crazy about
(just) a crush/ (only) infatuation/ infatuated (with)	dating agency	disapprove of/ disapproval
divorce	double date/ group date	dump someone/ throw someone out
embarrassing/ embarrassment	engaged/ engagement (ring/ party)	ex
fancy someone	female friend/ male friend/ just good friends	fiancé/ fiancée
first date	first kiss	flirt/ flirting
flowers	go out with	going out/ going steady
gold-digger	(bride)groom	head over heels (in love)
heavy petting	hen night/ stag night	in-laws

(really/ deeply) in love	dream date	internet (dating)
jealous(y)	(white) lie(s)	live together (before marriage)/ shack up
love at first sight	(civil/ church) marriage/ wedding	matchmaker/ matchmaking/ set up (by) someone
mistress/ bit on the side	(serial) monogamy/ monogamous	one night stand
(life) partner	play hard to get	polygamy/ second wife
propose/ proposal	quarrel/ row	regret
reject(tion)/ brush off	(get) remarried/ second marriage	same sex
separate/ separation	settle down	sexting
revenge (porn)	sexual harassment	shotgun wedding
sleep around/ sow your wild oats	sleep with	snog/ passionate kiss/ pash (e.g. French kiss)
speed dating	split the bill/ go Dutch	STD
(complete) stranger	unrequited love	Valentine's Day (present/ card)
wedding ceremony	wedding reception	white wedding/ traditional wedding
workplace romance/ office romance	your type	fall in love/ fall for someone
romantic holiday/ honeymoon	(in)compatible/ compatibility	

Love and marriage collocations

Brainstorm as many collocations as you can to the words below, adding words before and/or after each word there. .

marriage

wedding

date

up

love

Use the words below to help with the task above

ask for someone's hand in
ask someone out (on a date)
at first sight
blind
break
ceremony
chat
deeply in
fall in
first
head over heels in
knocked
re-
reception
second
shack
speed
split
traditional
unrequited
white

Check your answers with the cards on the first worksheets. Many other collocations are possible, so please check with your teacher if you wrote something different.

Love and relationships vocabulary word formation

Without looking above, write at least one more form of each word below, e.g. the adjective if it is a noun. Answers not above may also be possible.

abort
anonymously
marry
proposal
beauty
speak
sex
pregnancy
complimentary
infatuated
agent
disapprove
embarrass
engaged
deep
jealous
see
wed
matchmaking
series
monogamy
polygamous
regretful
reject
remarry
separate
vengeance
harass
passion
ceremonial
receive
tradition
romantic
compatible

Check your ideas above. Many other answers are possible, so if you wrote something different please check with your teacher.