

Small Talk

EASY CONVERSATION STARTERS

QUESTIONS THAT ARE ACTUALLY QUESTIONS

1. What do you do?
2. How did you get into that profession?
3. Why did you choose that type of work?
4. What area of [insert subject] do you work in?
5. Why did you come to this event today?
6. Have you attended events organized by this group before?
7. What did you think of the speaker?
8. How did you get here today?
9. Where are you from?
10. What is your hometown like?
11. How is it different from here?
12. How was your journey to get here?
13. Have you been to [the venue] before?
14. Where is your favorite business trip destination?
15. What's your connection to the event?

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16. What keeps you busy when you are not working or coming to events like this?
 17. How did you come to be in your line of work?
 18. How did you become a [job title]?
 19. What has surprised you the most about your job?
 20. What was your first job? Did you like it?
 21. What is the best career advice you've ever received?
 22. What was the worst?
 23. What is your favorite business book/TEDTalk/[something else that has been mentioned at the event]?
 24. What did you learn from it?
 25. Why do you say that?
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QUESTIONS THAT ARE NOT ACTUALLY QUESTIONS

1. That must have changed a lot lately.
2. That must be difficult/fun/a challenge/an experience.
3. Tell me more about [subject].