

## Spiral Talk

**Grade:** GESE Grade 4 (CEFR A2)

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Exam task focus:**

- ▶ To find out about each other through dialogue
- ▶ To practise asking and answering questions

**Resources:**

- ▶ Spiral 'diagram' handout



The aim of this activity is to help students build dialogues by asking and answering questions about each other in an authentic exchange of information.

### Activity:

1. Invite everyone to stand up in a space where they can move around fairly freely.
2. Give out a copy of the spiral diagram to every other student (Students A) and ask them to find a partner with no spiral handout (Students B).
3. In pairs, student A chooses a question from the spiral and asks Student B. Student B answers with as much information as possible. Student A must start in the middle of the spiral and work their way outwards.
4. The pair of students maintain the conversation for one minute. When a minute is up, give a loud signal to end the activity.
5. Now, tell students to swap roles and choose a different question from their spiral in order to have a second conversation. In this way each student has a chance to ask and answer questions.
6. At the end of the second conversation, ask students to find a new partner and to repeat the activity.
7. When students have interacted with at least two different classmates, ask everyone to sit down.
8. Suggest that they feedback to the person next to them what they found interesting in their conversations, before conducting a whole class feedback session.



**Spiral Talk**

**Grade 4**

What kind of food do you think is most / least healthy?  
Do you often eat out?  
What is your favourite place to eat?  
What sort of food do you prefer?  
What food is typical of your area?  
What is your favourite dish?  
What do you usually eat for breakfast / lunch / dinner?  
Who does the cooking in your family?

**Food**

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**Grade 4**

Where are you going to go on holiday next year?  
What's your favourite place to go on holiday?  
Do you usually have an annual holiday?  
What is the best holiday you have had?  
Where do you normally go on holiday?  
Where do you do when you are on holiday?  
When is the best time to visit your country?  
What do you do when you are on holiday?

**Holidays**