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## **Tips for Using 101 More Conversation Starters**

Your spouse is a fascinating person, a treasure trove of meaningful, humorous, and profound experiences, thoughts, feelings, ideas, memories, hopes, dreams, beliefs, and convictions. These questions celebrate the depth and wonderful mystery of your mate. Questions invite disclosure, and disclosure launches discovery. Discovery enriches a marriage and builds intimacy. Use the following 101 questions to prompt meaningful, in-depth discussions and to affirm and encourage your spouse.

Here are some ways to use the questions:

- During dinner at home (if you don't have children)
- During a quiet moment in the evening
- At bedtime (if both of you are alert)
- During dinner on a date night
- While in the car during a long drive

While the easiest way to proceed through the questions is to use them in the order they are presented, another possibility is that your spouse and you take turns in selecting the questions. We recommend that you do only one or two questions at a time. These questions are like dessert—a small and satisfying portion creates the anticipation for more later. *101 More Conversation Starters for Couples* offers a process to enjoy, not a project to complete.

Have fun with these questions two or three times each week and watch intimacy grow in your marriage.

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What was something that you really wanted to do but were not allowed to do as a child or teen?



What is one of the best/worst customer service experiences you've had?



What is one saying, quote, or Bible verse that you strongly identify with?

The airline overbooked our flight and we voluntarily gave up our seats in exchange for two round-trip tickets to any destination in the United States, excluding Hawaii and Alaska. Where do you want to go, and what time of year?



In Joshua 13:1 God tells Joshua that in spite of his advanced years there is still much land to be conquered. Do you have some "land" you still want to "conquer," something you want to accomplish?



Recall something you experienced or a place you visited that didn't live up to the promotion or your expectations



What is something humorous you recall about your first weeks or months of dating?



What was one of the most inspiring funerals or memorial services you have ever attended?

Complete the following: "I wish we could travel
toand
havefor
breakfast/lunch/dinner/dessert."

What is a common object you owned as a child—so common that you did not keep it but you wish you had because it is considered valuable today?

If you could own and operate your own business (and be guaranteed of its success), what would it be?

If you had to give up sight, hearing, the ability to speak, or the ability to walk, which would you choose?

Which would you be most resistant to giving up?