



Starter Unit 1 BBC interviews script

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W9 = Woman 9 M6 = Man 6 M7 = Man 7 M8 = Man 8 W10 = Woman 10
W11 = Woman 11 M9 = Man 9

A: Hello. My name is Andrea. I'm from Brazil. I'm a producer at the BBC. How about you? What's your name?

W1: My name is Ailsa Lesley.

M1: My name's Will Porter.

W2: My name's Keiko Ono.

M2: My name is Andrew.

W3: My name's Isobella Stewart.

W4: My name is Cynthia.

W5: My name is Halu.

W6: My name is Mingen.

M3: I'm Laxmikant.

W7: My name is Iris Asaf.

M4: My name is Ethan.

W8: My name is Julianna Kadar.

M5: My name is Alfred Ansah.

W9: Er, my name is Narissa.

M6: My name is Jiri Sedlacek. S-e-d-l-a-c-e-k.

M7: I'm John Bartlett. B-a-r-t-l-e-double t.

M8: My name is Pedro Romero.

W10: I'm Lee.

W11: Eva Feuerbaum. That's F-e-u-e-r-b-a-u-m.

M9: My name is James Baptista. And my surname is spelt B-a-p-t-i-s-t-a.

A: Where are you from?

W3: I'm from Glasgow in Scotland.

M1: I'm from New York.

W2: I am from Papua New Guinea.

W9: I'm from Thailand.

M2: I'm from Uruguay in South America.

W1: I'm from Scotland.

M4: I'm from California.

M9: I'm from here in London.

M3: I'm from India.

M7: I'm originally from Cardiff.

W7: I'm originally from Haifa in Israel.

W4, W5

W6: We are from Taiwan.

W10: I'm from Canada.

M8: I come from Sevilla, Spain.

W11: From Germany.

M6: I come from the Czech Republic.

M5: I'm from Ghana.

W8: I'm from Hungary but my family is now living in Switzerland.

A: What's your job?

M1: I'm a teacher.

W2: I am a student.

M3: I'm a doctor.

M2: I'm a manager.

M6: I am a music producer.

W1: I'm a journalist.

M7: I'm a television producer.

W7: I'm an architect.

M4: I'm a student.

M9: I work in an office.

W10: I work in IT.

W8: I'm a student.

M8: I'm an engineer.

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N: Hello, my name is Natalie. I'm from Northern Ireland and I work at the BBC. I have two parents and one brother. Who's in your family?

M1: My family is my wife, Carol, er, my sister Susan and my parents Vivian and Betty.

W1: My family is my mum and three brothers.

W2: My family is my parents, a brother, a sister and a husband.

W3: My family is, er, my mother, my father and my brother.

M2: I have my mum Lucy, and my dad Alan. And I have my sister Louisa who's 16.

M3: My family is my mum, my dad and my two sisters.

W4: There's me, this is my daughter, Cecilia. This is my partner David. And there's grandma and grandpa, and gran and granddad, too.

M4: My family, er, is my mother, Kate, and my father, Peter. Er. and I have a daughter Julia, and a stepdaughter, Rebecca.

M5: My family is my mum, my dad, and my two brothers.

W5: My mother and my father, and I have an older sister, and four older brothers. One of them is my twin brother.

W6: How old are they? And what are their jobs?

W2: My brother is twenty-eight and working for Porsche. And my sister is thirty-three and a PA. And my husband is thirty-eight and a singer.

W3: My brother is thirty-six years old and is a computer programmer.

W5: My dad is sixty and he's a teacher. And one of my brothers is thirty-five and he's a singer.

M3: My mother is fifty-three and she's a sales assistant in Marks and Spencer. And my sister is twenty-three and she's a student at university.

W4: My parents are both sixty-two. David's parents, I think, are ...

M6: ... fifty-nine and fifty-five.

W4, M6: And ...

M6: ... my mum is a teacher and my dad works with computers.

W4: My parents are retired.

M5: My mum is forty-five and she's a teacher. And my brother is eighteen and he's a student at college.

M2: My dad is fifty-two and he's a banker. My mum, she's a full-time mother and she's forty-eight.

W6: Who are you with today?

W1: This is my good friend, Kat, from Germany.

W2: This is Anne-Marie. We're friends from college.

W3: I'm with Marlene – is a friend of mine from Portugal.

M2: I'm with my mum Lucy, and my cousin Emily.

M3: Oh well, this is my friend La'mel.

W7: This is my father Simon, and this is my sister Rebecca.

W5: This is my baby daughter Annabelle and she is six months old.

W4: This is my partner David, and this is my little girl, Cecilia.

M1: This is my wife Carol.



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M5: This is my friend Drew.

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A: What's in my bag? My phone. It's a smartphone. Here are my house keys. And these are my new sunglasses. What about you? What's in your bag?

W1: This is my umbrella, and this is my phone.

W2: I have my wallet, and my diary, and my keys.

M1: This is my hat. These are my sunglasses. And er, these are some sweets.

W3: Well, I have my wallet, my passport, and my phone.

W4: This is my purse, and these are my sunglasses.

M2: My mobile. And my wallet.

W5: A dress. And also a T-shirt. And a gift for a friend.

M3: I have a camera – it's there. And I have a notebook – which is there. And I have, somewhere, a pencil, which is there.

M4: I don't have a bag with me today.

W6: I don't have a bag with me.

M5: I have a laptop, and I have some jeans.

W7: Well, um, this is my book. And iPhone, of course. And, key, computer. That's ... that's what's in my bag.

A: What are your favourite clothes?

W3: My favourite clothes are my running shoes.

M4: I like jeans and a T-shirt.

W2: I love my jeans and I love my jackets.

M5: My favourite clothes are jeans, T-shirts and hooded tops.

W8: My favourite clothes are hooded jackets – hoodies. And, er, jeans.

M1: Probably my hoodie.

W4: My favourite clothes are black and white clothes. Er, white tops and black trousers, or skirts.

W7: I really like colourful, designer clothes.

M3: Well, I like this jacket.

M2: Jeans and T-shirts.

W6: I like to wear jeans, T-shirts and this dress. 'Cause it's one of my favourites. And, yeah, that's about it.

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N: When I go out with my friend Jill, we go to the cinema because she loves films. When I meet my university friends, we go for a coffee or a pizza. What about you? What do you like to do with your friends?

M1: We do lots of things. We go out, we have meals, we talk, um, we go and see tennis. Lots of different things.

M2: We watch films. We make films. We go ice-skating.

W1: We go to restaurants. And sometimes we go on holiday.

M3: I play football with my friends.

W2: I go camping with my friends. I go to the movies.

M4: I go cycling. I go to the cinema. I go to concerts and see, er, live music. I have fun.

W3: Um, I go to the movies. Um, go out to restaurants.

M5: We go to concerts and movies.

M6: I go to the park and play football with my friends.

M7: I like to watch movies and play sports.

M8: I go walking quite a lot.

W4: Er, we go out for dinner, we go shopping. Er, we talk online. Skype.

N: What do you do on your own?

M1: I watch television and I listen to music.

W2: I go walking. I read books.

W1: I play the piano. And I go swimming.

M3: I go running in the park.

M7: Sometimes I go to the gym. I read a lot.

W4: I go to the gym. I read. I read a lot.

M6: I paint and I play computer games.

W3: On my own, I read, watch films.

M5: I go for walks and I cook.

M4: I read a lot. Um, watch TV and just relax.

N: Do you go to concerts, plays or films in London?

M1: Yes, I do. I go to concerts.

M2: I go to plays quite often.

W1: I go to the theatre a lot.

W2: I go to the theatre and especially go to watch dance performances.

M4: I go to a lot of concerts, like mainly rock music. Um, a lot of bands I see, plays ... playing guitars. Things like that.

M6: Yes, I go to concerts and plays in London.

W4: I go to films ... I go watch films.

M7: Yes, I like to go to Shakespeare plays, here.

W3: I go and, er, watch music, um, go to the theatre, with friends. Er, go and watch movies.

M5: I go to a lot of concerts.

M8: We go to, er, quite a lot of concerts and opera.

M3: I go to concerts and films in London but I don't go to plays.

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A: Hi. At the weekends, I get up late and I usually go out with friends or just relax. What about you? What time do you get up at the weekend?

W1: I get up at about eight-thirty.

M1: About seven a.m.

W2: Oh, about eight o'clock.

M2: Saturday, half nine, ten o'clock. Sunday, as I work, I get up earlier.

W3: I get up about eight o'clock in the morning.

M3: At the weekend, I get up at seven or eight o'clock in the morning.

W4: Usually about ten o'clock.

M4: Usually around nine a.m. and sometimes a bit later.

W5: Er, usually about nine or ten.

M5: About seven o'clock.

W6: Nine, maybe ten o'clock.

A: What do you usually do at the weekend?

W1: I sometimes go swimming. Um, I often cook, er, because I enjoy cooking. And I read a lot.

W2: We usually meet friends and go walking.

M2: Saturday: meet friends, have coffee, socialise. Er, Sunday: usually er, after work, see family.

M3: On the weekends, I get up and I drink tea in the morning. And then I either have breakfast at home, or go to a café.

M6: We go out, swimming, or walk in the forest, cycling, rollerblading.

W4: I go to the gym or I go rowing on the river.

M4: Um, see friends, family.

W3: I usually take my dogs for a walk, and do some housework.

M1: Gardening and jobs around the house.

W6: Normally I read the newspapers in the morning. Then I meet up with friends in the afternoon. Um, maybe go to the theatre.

M5: I go walking a lot in the summer months. Um, in the countryside usually, or by the seaside.

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N: I always go to work by tube. It takes about twenty minutes. It's fast. How about you? How do you get to work?

W1: I take the underground.

W2: I take the underground to work.

M1: I ride my bike.

M2: I get to work on the train.

M3: Train.

W3: I get the bus.

M4: Er, by bus.

M5: By train.

M6: I take the tube.

W4: I get to work by a bus: one bus and one tube.

W5: I go by car or I walk.

W6: I get the bus every day.

M7: Um, I walk to work. I live above where I work.

N: How long does it take?

W2: It takes about half an hour.

W1: It takes me an hour and a half.

M7: About thirty seconds.

W5: Um, it's about half an hour to walk, ten minutes in the car.

W6: It takes me twenty minutes to get to school.

M5: About half an hour.

W4: It takes me about a half an hour.

M8: About an hour.

M4: Forty minutes.

M1: Normally, half an hour.

W3: About forty-five minutes.

M2: About one hour.

M3: About an hour, an hour and fifteen minutes.

M6: About half an hour.

N: Do you like the journey?

W2: Yes, it's OK.

W1: It's very long but it's OK.

M7: Yeah, it's quick and easy.

W5: It's fine. It's easy.

W4: Not very much.

M8: Sometimes it's boring. But sometimes I talk to people.

M1: I love the journey.

W3: Yeah, I do.

M3: Very relaxing.

M5: Yeah, I just normally listen to music.

M6: Yeah, it's fine 'cause I have my book.

M2: No, it's a bit boring. Too long.

N: How much does it cost?

W1: It costs me twenty pounds a month.

M8: It costs about three pounds.

W2: It costs about eighty pounds a month.

W4: About eight pounds a day.

W5: Um, it's free.

W6: It costs seven hundred pounds a year.

M7: It's free.

M1: Er, it's free.

M2: About fifteen pounds a day.

M3: Twenty-two pounds and fifty pence.

M6: About two pounds.

W3: I get a one-day bus pass so it's four pounds.

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A: Hi. My birthday's on August the twenty-sixth. On my birthday, I usually go out with my friends in the evening. On my last birthday, I was in Italy on holiday. How about you? When is your birthday?

W1: My birthday's on March the thirty-first.

M1: On August the twenty-eighth.

M2: On January the twenty-sixth.

W2: My birthday's December the fifteenth.

M3: My birthday is on the eighth of December.

M4: My birthday is on the first of May.

W3: It's on the twenty-fourth of October.

W4: The twenty-ninth of October.

M5: Fifteenth of November.

W5: On May the fourteenth.

M6: October ...fourteenth.

A: What do you usually do on your birthday?

W2: I usually have a cake. And sometimes I have a party.

M1: I usually see my best friends and er, just, you know, have a, have a quiet day.

W1: I celebrate with my husband and my sons.

M4: My wife cooks something, like an evening meal.

W3: I usually get nice presents and have dinner, and a cake, with my family.

W4: Um, have a party.

M5: I usually spend it with my family.

M6: Usually have a few friends and a small party.

W5: I have three parties: one with my family, one with friends and one at work.

A: Where were you on your last birthday?

W2: I was in the English countryside.

M3: My last birthday, I was in Surrey, in England, in the countryside.

W1: I was on the beach.

M4: I was at home having a wonderful meal with my wife.

W3: I was at home.

M2: In, in my studio.

M1: I was in Iceland, um, on holiday.

W5: I was in Mumbai, India.

M5: I was in England on the 15th of November, and I had, er, lunch with my daughter and her two little boys – my lovely grandchildren.

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N: I love holidays. Last year I went to Sicily with a friend. We had a great time. We relaxed on the beach and ate a lot of local food. The weather was fantastic. How about you? Where did you go on holiday last year?

W1: Er, I went to Mexico.

M1: Last year I went on holiday to Croatia.

W2: I went to Italy.

W3: Um, I went to Sri Lanka and Thailand.

W4: I went to Sweden.

M2: My last holiday, I was in Paris in France.

W5: I went to India.

M3: I went to Portugal.

W6: I went to Montenegro.

M4: I went to Iceland.

M5: I went to see my father, in Wales.

W7: I went on holiday to an island in Scotland.

W8: Last year I went to Goa, in India.

N: How long was your holiday?

W1: It was two weeks long.

W3: Um, about two and a half months, actually. Yeah, it was a big one!

W2: It was three weeks long.

W4: Just two weeks.

M2: The holiday lasted for a week.

M1: My holiday was two weeks long.

W5: It was two weeks.

M3: I was away for two weeks.

W6: I was there for one month.

M4: I stayed for three weeks.

M5: It was a week long.

W7: We went for six weeks.

N: What did you do on holiday?

M1: On holiday, I sat by the seaside, and I swam, and ate nice food, and visited local villages.

W3: Um, just relaxed and saw some friends and family that lived over there.

W4: I just relaxed as well. Cooking, reading, and, um, sleeping a lot.

W2: I went to Florence, um, er, to see works of art.

M2: I did a lot of sightseeing and I went on lots of boat trips.

W5: We went to see the Taj Mahal, and we ate lots of lovely Indian food, and we visited other nice, old buildings.

M3: Went, um, walking along the beaches, which are wonderful. And went swimming also.

M5: Er, we walked up mountains.

W1: Well, I travelled around the Mexican countryside and I went to several old Mexican sights. Um, and I swam in hot springs. And I stayed by a lake.

N: Did you have a good time?

W1: I had a lovely time.

M1: Yes it was wonderful, thank you.

W3: I had a brilliant time, yes.

W4: Yeah, I had a brilliant time as well. I enjoyed just being with my husband for two weeks.

W2: We had a brilliant time, thank you.

W5: It was really nice.

M3: Wonderful time. The weather was beautiful – sunshine every day.

M4: Yes, it was, it was great fun.

W8: I had a wonderful time.

M5: Absolutely wonderful.

W7: Yeah, it was lovely.

M2: We had a very good time. The weather was quite nice but it was cold. But the food was very good.

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A: I love shopping. Last Saturday I went shopping with my sister. She got a new mobile and I bought some earrings. We had a great time. How about you? Do you like shopping?

W1: Yes, I love shopping.

W2: I love to shop.

M1: Yes, I do.

W3: Yes, I do.

W4: Yes I love to shop.

M2: I do like shopping.

W5: Yes I do. I really like shopping.

M3: Yes, I like shopping. I like clothes shopping but I don't like supermarket shopping.

M4: No, I hate shopping.

W6: No, I hate shopping.

M5: Er, no. I only shop when I really need something.

M6: Yes, I like shopping.

W7: Yeah, I do.

M7 I do, when I've got the time.

M8: I don't shop a lot.

A: What's the last thing you bought?

M5: The last thing I bought was a pair of jeans. And they cost me twenty pounds.

W3: I bought a sandwich at the station.

W4: I went on a big shopping trip and I bought lots of clothes.

M2: Er, this hoodie actually.

M1: The last thing I bought was a book.

W5: The last thing I bought, er, was, this pair of shoes for my husband.

M3: The last thing I bought was a coat.

W6: The last thing I bought was a pair of black trousers.

W1: I just bought a little dog.

W2: It was this coffee.

M4: Um, a jacket.

W7: I bought a pink dress.

M7: A pair of jeans.

W8: I bought my baby some clothes and food.

A: What's your favourite type of shop?

W1: Um, clothing shops, mainly.

M2: Er, sports shops, normally.

W5: My favourite type of shop, um, is a mobile phone shop.

W2: I like bookshops the best.

W3: I love shoe shopping, so shoe shops.

W7: Clothes shops.

M1: My favourite type of shop is a sports shop.

M5: My favourite type of shop is a bike shop.

W8: My favourite type of shop is, um, a bookshop.

M4: A bookshop.

W6: I don't like shopping so I don't have a favourite type of shop.

A: Do you ever make shopping mistakes?

W6: Yes, all the time. Um, I bought a pair of red shoes, and they were very high, and I never wore them.

M1: Yes, I do. I bought my wife a necklace, but she didn't like it.

W5: Yes, I do. I bought an exercise bike and I never used it.

M3: Yes, I, I bought a suit once and I never wore it.

M5: I've, I've bought many things on eBay that have been cheap, but I never wore them.

M2: Er I bought a shirt and it just did not fit me when I got home.

W8: I bought lots of things for the baby that I didn't need.

M4: I don't think so.

M8: No, because I don't shop very often.

W7: I bought some trousers and they didn't fit.

M6: I once bought a jacket and it was ninety pounds and it didn't fit me.

M7: I buy jeans that are often too small.



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N: When I was a child I wanted to be a dancer. I loved dancing. But now I'm a producer at the BBC. What did you want to be when you were a child?

M1: When I was a child I wanted to be a filmmaker, and now I am a filmmaker.

W1: I wanted to be a scientist, but now I am ... I want to be a teacher.

M2: I wanted to be a writer, but now I'm a manager.

W2: When I was a child I wanted to be an actor.

M3: Er, when I was a child, I wanted to be a chess player, but now I'm a cameraman.

W3: When I was young I wanted to be an architect. Now I'd like to work outdoors.

W4: I wanted to be a nurse, but now I'm a shop assistant.

M4: When I was a child I wanted to be a writer, but now I'm a teacher.

M5: I wanted to be a pilot and fly planes when I was younger.

M6: I wanted to be a basketball player. Now I'm a social worker.

W5: I wanted to be a musician and I became a musician.

M7: I think a pilot.

W6: I wanted to be a teacher. But, in fact, um, I'm retired now but I was a nurse.

W7: I wanted to be a vet and now I'm studying to be a vet.

N: Do you like what you do?

M3: Yes, I do. It's different every day.

M2: It's all right. I work with some interesting people.

W3: Yes. At the moment I don't have a job so I'm having lots of fun.

M5: I do. Very much so.

W4: Yes, it's great fun.

M4: Yes, I do. I like it very much.

M8: I'm retired now, but, er, I enjoy being retired. And, er, I'm as busy as ever.

M1: I love what I do.

M7: Yeah, I enjoy it.

W5: Yes, I love working as a musician.

W7: Yes, I'm very happy.

M6: Yeah. I like to help people and support people.

N: What's your perfect job?

W4: Um, I would like to be a hairdresser.

W1: I'd like to be a teacher.

M1: To, um, make films in Hollywood.

W2: My perfect job. A singer.

M3: My perfect job? I'd like to be a theatre director.

W3: Working outside and with lots of people.

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M8: I'd like to do something outside.

M2: I'd like to work in a bookshop.

W6: To play in an orchestra.

W7: My perfect job is working with animals.

M5: I suppose, oh, cyclist, maybe. A professional cyclist.

M4: I'd like to be an actor.