

Conversation Topics / Level: B1 B2

Lesson Topic: Adoption

My Country's Policies on Adoption

- What are the views of adoption in your country? Are adoptions common?
- How would someone interested in adopting a child go about doing so?
- Are people able to adopt a child of a different race?
- What are the legal consequences of adopting a child from a different race or country?
- Are prospective parents in adoption required to do a parenting course?
- Does your country's adoption policy allow birth parents to be involved in the adopted child's life?
- What are some organizations that help with adoptions?
- Do you believe there is discrimination within the adoption organizations?
- Are legal rights of an adoptive child different from those of a birth child?



My Personal Views on Adoption

- What do you think are some of the reasons people choose to adopt?
- Are there any risks when adopting a child?
- Should you tell the child that he or she was adopted? Do you think people who have been adopted should always have the right to find out who their birth-parents are?
- Should families with birth children also adopt?
- Should adoptions be between children and families of the same race and or culture?
- Should a gay or lesbian couple be allowed to adopt a child? Should a single man or woman be able to adopt a child?
- Should there be an age restriction for the adoptive parents?
- Do you think brothers and sisters should be separated in adoptions?



My Experience on Adoption (Factual and Hypothetical)

- Do you know anyone who was adopted as a child?
- Do you know anyone who has adopted a child?
- If you found out I was adopted, would you want to find your birth family? Why or why not?
- Would you consider the idea of adopting a child?
- How would you feel if a child you had adopted wanted to search for his or her birth parents?
- Do you think it is preferable to adopt or to use artificial reproduction technology?
- What makes a family, genetics or environment?

