Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026

When was the last time you had trouble doing something?
When was the last time you had trouble making up your mind?
Who is someone you looked up to when you were a kid?
Do you have a relative that you don't get along with?
Has someone ever let you down?
Have you ever worked really hard on something and your hard work paid off?
What do you wish you had done before you came to the US?
What would you say to your neighbor if he/she asked to borrow $1,000?

What would you do if you were the mayor of Chicago?
What would happen if…

Monday, Feb 23, 2026

What did you waste a lot of time doing last week?
What do you usually put off until the last minute?
What frustrates you the most often?
Who is the most annoying person you know? (beside your teacher…)
What would you say if an interviewer asked you what religion you are?
https://ocs.yale.edu/channels/illegal-interview-questions/

Three Options for Answering Illegal Questions

1. Answer it. If you think the interviewer was simply trying to get to know you, and naively asked the question, you can choose to answer. Consider the intent of the question. For example, was the interviewer asking about your birthplace because he or she grew up in the same area and is trying to get to know you? If you are comfortable answering, then it's fine to do so.
2. Side-step it. You could discretely refuse to answer the question but address the concerns that they raise. For example, if your interviewer asks you whether or not you have children, he or she might really be getting at whether your family responsibilities would interfere with the frequent travel that the job requires. You could respond by saying something like "I can assure you that my personal life will not interfere with my professional responsibilities."
3. Question the relevance. You can ask your interviewer how the question relates to the position you're interviewing for. This may alert them to the inappropriate nature of their question. If you feel that they are asking an inappropriate or discriminatory question, you can refuse to answer their question and either try changing the subject, or you could choose to excuse yourself from the interview.

Write your partner's answers using direct speech
Sahar said, "I wasted a lot of time on social media."

Write 4 mistakes you made recently (things you did or didn't do).

I didn’t sleep enough last night.
I wish I had slept enough last night.

- What place makes you feel relaxed?
    - What sounds, colors, or smells remind you of this place?
- What place is important to you?