**Week 3: Common Phrases for Food, Birthday & Movies**

*Movies*

**Movie Preferences**

* What kinds of movies do you like?
* What genre of movies do you like?
* Do you like romantic comedies?
* Do you like horror movies?
* Are you into action movies?
* Are you a big comedy movie fan?
* Are you interested in documentaries about animals?
* Do you like to watch movies at home or at the movie theater?
* Who is your favorite actor?
* What is the best movie that you have ever seen?
* What is the best movie that you have seen recently?

**Recommendations or about current movies.**

* Are there any good movies out right now?
* Is there anything good showing at the theater today?
* Can you recommend a good horror movie for me?
* Do you know any good romantic movies?
* What action movie should I watch?

**Talking about our own movie preferences.**

* I like action movies.
* I enjoy documentaries and action movies, but I don't like romantic comedies.
* I like movies that have a good story. So, I like thrillers.
* I don't think that documentaries are very interesting. Actually, I think that they are boring.
* I'm into dark movies. They are more realistic.
* I like bloody movies, but my brother hates those kinds of movies.
* He is my favorite actor, so I like any movie that he is in.

**Describing a movie**

* It is too violent.
* It is very bloody.
* It was hilarious
* It was scary.
* It was terrifying.
* It was very romantic.
* It was too long.
* It is very interesting.
* It was boring.
* It was touching.
* It was moving.
* I think that it is the funniest movie I have seen in a long time.
* I thought that it was confusing.
* It is not appropriate for children.
* It is rated R.
* It is a fantastic movie.
* It is a great story.
* It is a sad movie.
* It had a lot of fight scenes.
* I couldn't stop laughing.
* I couldn't stop crying.
* It had many moving scenes.
* It was over 3 hours long.
* It was only an hour and a half.
* It was full of laughs.
* It had a lot of dirty jokes.

**The actors and actresses**

* Who is in it?  
  (=Who are the actors in the movie?)
* What is her role in the movie?
* How was she in the movie?
* Did she do a good job in the movie?

**Other questions about the movie**

* Where does the movie take place?  
  (=What is the setting of the movie?)
* When does the movie take place?  
  (=When does the story happen?)
* What is it about?
* What is the story about?
* Is it a true story?
* When does it come out?
* When will it be in theaters?
* What will the movie be released?
* Has it gotten good reviews?
* What are people saying about it?

**Genres**

* Action
* Animated
* Comedy
* Horror (gory)
* Documentary (biopic)
* Historical / Period Piece
* Horror
* Independent (Indie) films — movies that were not made by big, Hollywood studios or are more artistic in terms of theme and visuals
* Thriller — these movies are like horror movies, but they’re more “psychologically” scary
* Romantic comedy (sometimes referred to as “rom-com”)
* Science fiction or “sci-fi,” (with extraterrestrials or aliens or AI; can be apocalyptic or dystopia)

**Adjectives**

* Some synonyms for “bad” — awful, terrible, boring, predictable, overrated
* Some synonyms for “good” — great, well done, awesome, important, entertaining, informative
* Some synonyms to be neutral about a movie — alright, okay, so-so, not my favorite
* Award-winning — A movie that has won an award like an Oscar or a Golden Globe.
* Family-friendly — Films that are good for families to watch together (no explicit material).
* Critically-acclaimed — If you hear this, it means critics gave the movie good reviews.
* Visually-stunning — A movie that’s beautiful to watch.

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*Birthdays*

**Questions**

* Do you enjoy birthdays?
* Do you usually celebrate your birthdays?
* What did you do on your last birthday?
* Can you remember a birthday that you enjoyed as a child?
* Do most people celebrate their birthdays with a party in your country?

*Food*

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#### **Common Questions**

* How often do you eat out?
* What’s your favorite dessert? How often do you eat it?
* What’s the best place to eat in your town?
* Do you usually drink milk?
* What kind of meals do you like to eat?
* Do you like trying new foods?
* How many cups of coffee do you drink every day?
* Do you know how to cook?
* Can you cook very well?
* Do you eat bread every day?
* Do you eat fruits every day?
* What kinds of food did you eat when you were a child?
* How often do you eat out?
* Do you like chocolate? What is your favourite type?
* Do you like seafood?
* Do you like eating vegetables?
* What vegetables and fruits don’t you like?
* Do you like chocolate? What is your favourite type?
* Do you usually drink a beer when you eat?
* What is your favorite food? How often do you eat it?
* Are you a vegetarian? Why do some people stop eating meat?

#### **Breakfast**

* Do you usually drink coffee in the morning?
* Do you eat cereal in the morning?
* Do you usuually skip breakfast?
* What breakfast can you prepare?
* Do you make your own breakfast?
* What’s your favorite breakfast meal?

#### **Lunch**

* What time do you usually have lunch ?
* What do you usually have for lunch?
* Do you eat lunch at school?
* What lunch can you prepare?

#### **Dinner**

* What time do you usually have dinner?
* What do you usually have for dinner?
* Where do you usually eat dinner?
* What dinner can you prepare?

#### **International Cuisine**

* Do you like Italian food?
* Do you like Mexican Food?
* Do you like Chinese food?

#### **Diet**

* What’s a healthy diet?
* What do you usually eat to gain weight?
* What do you usually eat to lose weight?
* Have your intermitent Fasting?
* What do you think about diets?
* Do you usually think about nutrition when making meal choices?
* Do you think about the amount of calories you eat every day?
* How many calories do you eat per day?
* Do you track the amount of calories that you eat every day?

#### **Fast Food**

* What’s your favorite fast food restaurant?
* How often do you eat junk food?
* If you could, how often would you eat junk food?
* What ‘s your favorite fast food?
* Do you drink coke?
* How often do you drink sodas?
* What’s your favorite junk food?
* Do you like Hamburgers?
* Do you like Pizza?
* What’s your favorite pizza place?
* What’s your favorite pizza topping?
* Do you like unhealthy food?
* Do you like Tacos and Sandwiches?
* Which fast food restaurant serve healthy food?
* How often do you go to fast food restaurants

**Adjectives**

* salty
* spicy
* crunchy
* juicy
* ripe
* acidic
* naughty
* guilt-free
* cheat day
* addictive
* fattening
* cheat meal
* balanced
* delicious
* nourishing
* satisfying
* appetizing
* filling
* tasty
* fresh
* crunchy
* crisp
* mouth-watering
* yummy
* savour
* I’m stuffed
* wolf (it) down - eat a lot quickly
* pick at - eat a little, uninterested
* Work up an appetite - do something ot make you hungry
* spoils an appetite - do something that no longer makes you hungry
* could eat a horse - very hungry
* pig out - eat a lot excitedly

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