

Making Small Talk

1. Learners will watch a four minute clip (CBS breakfast show):
How to Make People Like You. They need to make notes of the three small talk tips.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DkVSEpGRqRg&NR=1>

2. Volunteer will review Nicholas Boothman's tips on small talk:
 - ✓ Speak up (don't be shy)
 - ✓ Ask "talk show" questions (open ended)
 - ✓ Establish rapport (nod, smile, eye contact, excitement)
3. Volunteer will give each learner a strip (topic). Learners will have different topics and the goal is to use the given topic to make small talk with three other classmates. They need to record their partners' names on the strips. Depending on the class size, the topics may be split up for several sessions.