# Love and relationships ESL lesson plan (A2)

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| Stage | Time |
|---|---|
| Warm-up | 5–10 min |
| Vocabulary | 15 min |
| Controlled practice | 10 min |
| Grammar focus | 10 min |
| Speaking | 15 min |
| Wrap-up and homework | 5 min |

## 1. Warm-up (5–10 min)

- What is a good first date?
- Do you like romantic films?
- How do people usually meet a partner in your country?

## 2. Vocabulary (15 min)

*Elicit each word before you give it, model the pronunciation, then check meaning with a quick question.*

| Word | Meaning | Example |
|---|---|---|
| **relationship** | a romantic connection between two people | They've been in a relationship for two years. |
| **fall in love** | to start to love someone | They fell in love in Paris. |
| **ask someone out** | to invite someone on a date | He asked her out for dinner. |
| **go out with** | to have a romantic relationship with someone | She's going out with a musician. |
| **get married** | to become husband and wife | We got married in 2018. |
| **get engaged** | to agree to marry someone | They got engaged on vacation. |
| **honeymoon** | a holiday a couple takes after their wedding | They went to Bali on their honeymoon. |
| **romantic** | showing love; relating to love | We had a romantic dinner. |
| **attractive** | nice to look at | He's very attractive. |
| **in love** | loving someone romantically | I think I'm in love. |

## Grammar focus (10 min): Past simple questions and time expressions: ago, last, in

Somebody stole a bike outside a café. Sergeant Reid asks a witness, Tara: “What did you see? When did it happen? What did the man look like?” Tara answers: “I saw him about ten minutes ago. He went that way.” By the end of this lesson you can ask detailed questions about the past and say exactly when things happened.

| Form | Pattern | Example |
|---|---|---|
| **Wh- question** | Q + did + subject + base form | Where did he go? |
| **Subject question** | Who / What + past verb | Who called? · What happened? |
| **Ago · last** | time + ago · last + time | ten minutes ago · last week |
| **In · on · at · for** | in 2019 · on Friday · at 3:30 · for an hour | I lived there for five years. |

Watch for: ~~Where you went yesterday?~~ → **Where did you go yesterday?**. Past question: did + base form.

## Speaking (15 min): The agony aunt

You read three short letters from people with relationship dilemmas (My partner wants to move abroad. My best friend dislikes my partner.). The learner answers each with advice, a reason and a warning.

## Useful language

- to go out with · to fall in love · to break up
- We met through… / on…
- I think the most important thing is…
- They’ve been together for…
- to get engaged · to get married · to get divorced
- It depends on the couple.

## Wrap-up and homework (5 min)

- Each learner says the three new words they will remember, and one sentence with each.
- Homework: write 80–120 words about love and relationships using at least six words from the lesson and the grammar point.
- Self-study: the A2 love and relationships vocabulary page on englishcue.app has a self-correcting quiz with all 22 words.

# Love and relationships (A2)

Student handout · Name: _____ · Date: _____

## A. Word bank

**argument · bride · ex · anniversary · jealous · broke up · proposed · divorced**

## B. Complete the sentences

*Use a word from the word bank. Then compare with a partner.*

1. My parents are _____.
2. The _____ wore a long white dress.
3. They had a big _____.
4. It's our fifth _____.
5. I saw my _____ at the party.
6. He gets _____ easily.
7. They _____ last month.
8. He _____ at the top of the Eiffel Tower.

## C. Talk with a partner

*Ask and answer. Make notes of one interesting answer to report to the class.*

1. What do people do on Valentine's Day where you live?
2. Is it better to be single or in a couple?
3. What is a nice present for a partner?
4. At what age do people usually get married in your country?
5. Do you believe in love at first sight?

## Write

*Write 80–120 words about love and relationships. Use six words from the lesson.*

## Answer key

**B. Complete the sentences:** 1 divorced · 2 bride · 3 argument · 4 anniversary · 5 ex · 6 jealous · 7 broke up · 8 proposed