

Dating Styles and Relationships – Tense Practice Worksheet B1

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. First dates

Many people _______ (prefer) to meet in cafés for a first date. Right now, my cousin
_______ (chat) with someone she met online. When I _______ (study) in London, I often
______ (go) for walks along the river while my dates ______ (tell) me stories about their travels.

2. Modern dating apps
Dating apps _______ (change) the way people meet. At the moment, my friend ______ (swipe) through profiles on her phone. Two years ago, I ______ (join) an app and _____ (exchange) messages while I ______ (wait) for my train.

3. Blind dates
Some people ______ (organise) blind dates for their friends. This week, my colleague ______ (set up) a meeting between two of her friends. When I ______ (live) in Paris, my neighbour once ______ (invite) me to dinner while she ______ (plan) a surprise introduction.

4. Cultural dating traditions
Different cultures (have) unique ways of starting relationships. Right now, we
(research) dating customs in Japan. When I (travel) in India, I
(learn) about arranged marriages while locals (share) their personal stories.
5. Relationship milestones
Couples often (celebrate) anniversaries and special dates. This month, my parents
(plan) their 30th wedding anniversary. When I (date) my first boyfriend, we
always (exchange) small gifts while we (enjoy) a meal together.
6. Long-distance love
Long-distance couples (find) creative ways to stay connected. At present, my friend
(write) daily emails to her partner. When I (live) abroad, I (call)
home every weekend while my partner (cook) dinner.
7. Break-ups and moving on
Sometimes people (decide) to end relationships for personal growth. Right now, my
friend (focus) on herself after a break-up. When I (be) at university, one of
my roommates (end) a long relationship while she (prepare) for exams.
8. Meeting the family
Meeting a partner's family (be) an important step. Today, my colleague
(visit) her boyfriend's parents for the first time. When I (meet) my partner's family, we
(have) dinner while everyone (ask) me questions about my job.
9. Communication styles
Good communication (help) relationships last. Right now, my partner and I
(discuss) our holiday plans. When we (share) a flat, we (talk) every
evening while we (cook) together.
10. Finding common interests
Couples often (look) for hobbies they can share. This year, my friends
(take) a dance class together. When I (date) my partner, we (join) a
photography club while we (plan) weekend trips.

BONUS – Present Perfect Challenge	
11. Online experiences I (meet) several interesting people through dating apps, and I some lasting friendships.	(make)
12. Learning about love Over the years, we (discover) that trust is essential, and we (need to be a second or content of the lessons from past relationships.	ever/forget)
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