

Conversation Cheat Codes

15 Low-Stress Openers + Exit Lines for Social Situations For anyone who freezes, overthinks, or goes blank when it's time to talk.

Perfect for:

- Social events, classes, meetups, or first dates
- Teens, introverts, or anyone with social anxiety
- People who think, "I never know what to say!"



Why Talking Feels So Hard

Social anxiety tells you that every word matters. That everyone's judging. That if you say the *wrong* thing, it'll be awkward forever.

But here's the truth: Most people are too focused on themselves to notice every word. You don't have to be smooth — just real.



Need a boost? Open https://navigateanxiety.org and ask: "Help me think of something to say."

Low-Stress Openers

Hi, I'm [Name] — I don't think we've met yet.	So how do you know the host?	Have you been to one of these before?	
What brought you here to		I'm always a little awkward at these things — is it your kind of vibe?	

◎ You don't need the perfect line — just a way in.



Casual Responses That Work (Even If You're Nervous)

Oh good question... I need a second to think!

I always blank on this one — do *you* have a good answer?

Honestly? I'm not sure yet — still figuring it out.

Honesty is refreshing — not a flaw.



Conversation Lifesavers (When It's Quiet)



By the way...



This might be random, but...



Do you have anything fun coming up?



Seen anything good on Netflix lately?

■ Still stuck? Ask Navigate Anxiety: Q "Give me a topic I can bring up."

If You Want to Join a Group Conversation

- Mind if I join you guys?
 - Hey, just jumping in what are we talking about?
 - Smile, listen first, then say: That's interesting I've always wondered about that.
- 🌟 Remember: You don't need to say a lot to belong.



What to Say If You're Feeling Anxious

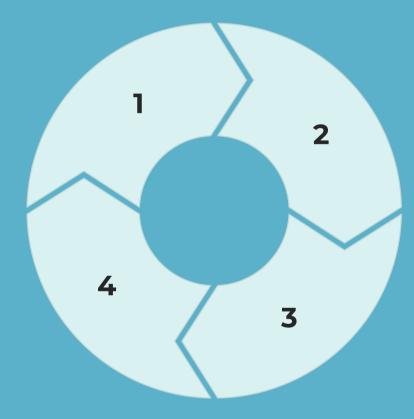


*Bravery can sound soft and simple.

Graceful Exit Lines

I'm going to grab some water — be right back!

This was fun — I'm going to head out but glad we talked!



I want to say hi to someone — so good chatting!

I'm taking a little quiet break. Hope to catch you later.

You're allowed to protect your energy.

Let Navigate Help You Talk Through It



If you're spinning before a conversation or panicking mid-way, the app has you.

♣ Ask https://navigateanxiety.org:

You don't have to figure it out alone.

Final Note: Connection Over Perfection

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Be You

Social success isn't about being charming. It's about being *you* — gently, honestly, and in your own time.

Save

Save this guide for your next conversation.

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Share

A Share it with someone who says, "I never know what to say."

You've got cheat codes now − and people who get it.

