

Names

Task 1: Speaking

Discuss these questions with a partner:

- Is your name traditional or modern?
- Does your name have a translation in other languages?
- Does anyone in your family share your name?
- Do you know any famous people with the same name as you?
- How do people in your country usually choose a child's name?

Task 2: Listening

You are going to listen to a radio programme about fashions in names in Britain and the US. Before you listen, guess the answer to these questions. Then listen and check your answers.

1. _____ is a popular name these days.

- a) Bay b) Beach c) Sandy

2. _____ is a popular name for boys.

- a) Zebra b) Bear c) Lion

3. _____ is a popular name for girls.

- a) Red b) Blue c) Grey

4. _____ is a very popular name these days.

- a) Banana b) Cherry c) Apple

Task 3

Work with a partner. Write all the names you remember from the audio. Add your names to the class list on the board.

Task 4: Listen again and write ONE word in each gap.

- a) The fashion at the moment is to have _____ as names.
- b) Fox and Wolf used to be _____.
- c) Some ' _____ ' names are common but others are unusual.
- d) The singer Beyoncé named her daughter after a _____ and a plant.
- e) _____ names like Chelsea used to be strange.
- f) Taylor and Cooper used to be names of _____.
- g) A family in Holland gave their six children names with the same _____.