

International Conversation Cafe

Lifestyle Topic: Adventure

Read over the following quotations about adventure, then discuss the questions.

When you're safe at home you wish you were having an adventure; when you're having an adventure you wish you were safe at home.~Thornton Wilder

What is an adventure?

What is the biggest travel adventure you've experienced?

What would make a person desire the security of home when on an adventure?

Why do we think about going on an adventure while at home?

We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty, charm and adventure. There is no end to the adventures that we can have if only we seek them with our eyes open. ~ Jawaharlal Nehru

What do you think Nehru is saying in this quote?

If our eyes were opened, what kind of adventures would we see? Can you give examples from your experience?

What are some adventures we take besides travel?

Can certain relationships be an adventure? If so, how?

Describe things that go wrong in adventure. What have you learned from things that have gone wrong in adventure?

Certainly, travel is more than the seeing of sights; it is a change that goes on, deep and permanent, in the ideas of living. ~Miriam Beard

Have you ever experienced a change in attitude or change in the way of doing things as a result of an adventure? Tell about what happened.

Why are we sometimes resistant to change?

Why do we sometimes criticize people who do things differently than we do?

How can we best learn from our adventures?

Tell your favorite travel story, your own or someone else's.

There are many travel/adventure idioms. Read the idiom and examples and make up your own sentences using them.

“Off the beaten track,” means away from frequently traveled routes. *Manhattan, Kansas, is off the beaten track.*

“Mile a minute,” means very fast. *He talks a mile a minute. I don't know what he is talking about.*