



Conversation Starters for Month **1**

INTRODUCTIONS, DEFINITIONS, EXPECTATIONS

Don't feel like you have to work through all the questions systematically—they are only a guide to get you started. If conversation flows freely without them, great!

1. Why are you participating in Common Ground? Are you excited, hesitant, hopeful, skeptical, open, cautious?
2. Do you consider yourself an introvert or an extrovert?
3. Share some personal background: family, education, work, church, etc.
4. What's something you like about living in Lansing?
5. The first thing that comes to mind when someone says "racism" is _____. Does your level of energy go up or down when you hear this word?
6. What do you hope will happen to you through this year of meetings?

NEXT MEETING with your partner will be—

Date:

Time:

Place: