



CONVERSATION-STARTERS

HOLIDAYS AND TRADITIONS

FIRST, WHEN WILL YOUR NEXT MEETING BE?

Date:

Time:

Place:

NOW, CONVERSATION

Don't feel like you have to work through these questions systematically; just use them as a springboard to conversation. Feel free to ask additional questions as well.

1. Thanksgiving, Posada Navideña, Juneteenth, Dia de Muertos, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Christmas, Kwanzaa—describe some of the traditions you observe for these occasions. Talk about the food, the music, the decorations, the rituals, and the people.
2. The pandemic forced people to make adjustments to their traditions. Did any of those adjustments become permanent for you?
3. What is something you would like to ask your partner that you haven't yet?
4. When you are with your Common Ground partner, do you choose words more carefully so you don't offend? In what ways do your Common Ground conversations influence the way you interact in other situations—family gatherings, the workplace, social media interactions?