

# **JAIL (USA) / GAOL (UK) DISCUSSION**

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1) What images spring to mind when you hear the word 'jail'?
- 2) Do you think jails work?
- 3) Would you like to work in a jail?
- 4) How would you feel if you had to spend a couple of months in jail?
- 5) Do you think people leave jail better people or better criminals?
- 6) What are the jails like in your country?
- 7) What do you think prisoners do in jail every day?
- 8) Do you think jails are dangerous places?
- 9) In prison escape movies, do you always want the prisoners to escape? Why?
- 10) Would you live in a house / apartment that was right next door to a jail?

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STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1) How did jails start?
- 2) Do you think there are better ways of reforming criminals than sending them to jail?
- 3) How do you think jails around the world are different?
- 4) What's the best way to escape from jail?
- 5) Would you visit me in jail?
- 6) If you were in jail, what would you miss most about the outside?
- 7) If you were in jail, what would you worry about most?
- 8) An American politician once said: "I don't want to send them to jail. I want to send them to school." What do you think of this?
- 9) Do you think life in jail should mean life in jail?
- 10) What would you like to ask someone who is in jail for life?

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