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What Do You Do?

It is a question all too often used as a shortcut to sum up a person's life: social status, value to society and community, sense of purpose, source of happiness, skills and talents, among others. Yet, it is a lazy question, telling us potentially very little aside from an administrative fact. Aren't there more interesting ways to get to know a human being?

Who are your heroes? What is the most important problem you're trying to solve? Who is your favorite person in the world? What keeps your head occupied most days? When was the last time you fell in love?

What gets you out of bed in the morning? What is the last thing you think about before falling asleep? What's your favorite

unanswerable question? What do you enjoy purely for its own

reward? What are some of your current goals? What is a goal you

used to have but **later realized wasn't important?** What do you wish more people knew about? Who most values your abilities? **Do you have any secret talents?** Why do you spend your time the way that you do?

When was the last time you fell into a creative flow? Who is your

closest friend **and why?** What do you wish you spent more of your time doing?

Who helps you to meet your goals? How much time do you think you have left? How much of your time do you spend doing **what you really want to do?** What do you enjoy doing even though you're not very good at it?

What's the most exciting thing to you about the future? Who helps you keep your feet on the ground? **Who inspires you?** Who reminds you to

put your head in the clouds? When was the last time you stopped to smell the flowers? Why are you here and not somewhere else? On a scale of 1-10

how alive do you feel? How will you know when you've done enough?

