Roommate Icebreaker Questions for Adults

Host rules / Keep this page

2-8 adults / One card or a short shared round / 24 original prompts

Try 24 optional questions when adult roommates first meet. Start with a welcoming space, general ideas for sharing common areas, or an imaginary home. Keep rental decisions, practical house rules, and any sensitive information in separate conversations.

1. Invite a short casual conversation when both people want one. Choose a light card; there is no need to finish a round.

2. Use general or made-up examples. Skip financial, tenancy, health, security, and personal background questions; do not treat replies as screening answers.

3. Close whenever either person is ready. Discuss actual household arrangements separately and check agreement explicitly rather than inferring it from a game answer.

Always room for a pass

Answer, invent an example, listen, think quietly, or pass without explaining. Keep participation voluntary; do not score, record, or evaluate replies.

This is casual conversation for adults, not screening, a contract, or agreement about household arrangements. Discuss actual house rules separately.

Printing & privacy

Use Letter paper. Print single-sided at 100% / Actual size, one PDF page per sheet. Test a page first. Cut only card sheets; keep notes and worksheets whole. Do not collect answers.

Original AI-assisted draft questions. Human English review, group playtesting, physical print quality, and duplex alignment are not yet verified. Planned durations are not measured outcomes.

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Facilitator notes / Keep this page

A small host plan.

A shared invitation

One card, optional replies

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Two new housemates

Adapt or stop at the agreed point

1. Start with one easy question. Either person may answer, invent an example, listen, or suggest a different topic.

2. Close whenever either person is ready. Discuss actual household arrangements separately and check agreement explicitly rather than inferring it from a game answer.

Host checklist

- Explain how the activity ends before it starts.
- Keep listening, passing, and quiet thinking available.
- Do not collect, rank, photograph, or publish answers.

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Card sheet / Cut along the thin outlines

F31-001 / REV 1

Start with something small

What small detail would make a shared living room feel welcoming to a new housemate?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-002 / REV 1

Start with something small

What harmless topic could start a first roommate conversation away from household logistics?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-003 / REV 1

Start with something small

What would you put in a welcome note that asks for no personal information?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-004 / REV 1

Start with something small

What everyday object makes a room feel lived in without taking up much space?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-005 / REV 1

Start with something small

What would you call a shared corner meant for sitting and doing very little?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-006 / REV 1

Start with something small

What could a housemate say to make a short conversation easy to end?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-007 / REV 1

Start with something small

What would make a shared noticeboard useful without turning it into a list of complaints?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-008 / REV 1

Start with something small

What could make the first cup of tea together feel less like an interview?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

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Card sheet / Cut along the thin outlines

F31-009 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What is a friendly way to ask before moving a shared decoration?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-010 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What could a general note say when something in a common area needs attention?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-011 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What would help distinguish a suggestion from an agreed household rule?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-012 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What could roommates call a basket for objects that need to find their owners?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-013 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What would make a small shared shelf easier to keep understandable?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-014 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What could someone say when they need more time before discussing a household decision?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-015 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What would be a kind way to revisit an ordinary preference that has changed?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-016 / REV 1

Share a space kindly

What small shared-space question deserves its own practical conversation later?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

Roommate Icebreaker Questions for Adults

Card sheet / Cut along the thin outlines

F31-017 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would a houseplant put on a roommate introduction card?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-018 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What shared-room decoration would suit a home inhabited by friendly paper boats?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-019 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would a sofa write in a welcome letter to a new cushion?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-020 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would you call an apartment where every cupboard leads to an imaginary season?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-021 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would be on a welcome tray for a visiting cloud?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-022 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would a household noticeboard look like if spoons made all the announcements?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-023 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What room would you add to an imaginary house that already has everything it needs?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.

F31-024 / REV 1

An imaginary home

What would the house itself suggest as a title for its first housemate gathering?

Answer, listen, or pass. No explanation needed.