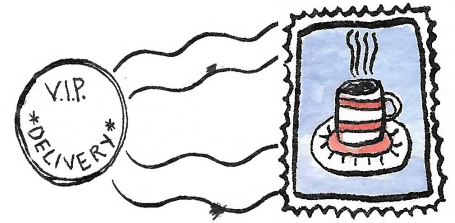


A Good Question



a game towards having a good conversation about politics
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1. Find someone who is willing to sit down with you for a good conversation about politics. Ideally someone who has quite different political beliefs to you. Maybe you will sit down over a cup of tea.



2. Interview each other about your political beliefs. A useful ice-breaker question, if you need it: *what are the personal life experiences that led you to your politics?*

As you talk, you are looking for the differences between you, not to argue or judge them, but simply to identify them, even celebrate them. Your differences help make this a rich conversation.



3. And then, whenever feels right, you can ask each other questions, perhaps over these differences, perhaps about other things.

But you will pass answering any question you're asked except those which make you go: *that's a good question!*



What makes a good question? Well, perhaps it approaches the issue at an angle, doesn't presume an answer, surprising and genuine. Perhaps it makes you pause, think afresh, and answer in a way you have never heard anyone before.

Whatever, trust your gut, you know a good question when you're asked it.



Feel free to change how you play, however works best for you both, however makes it most interesting and fun, and helps you play well together.

If you like, write down the best questions you ask each other and send them to knock@coneyhq.org. We'd love to hear them.