



DREAMS

Discussion

Basic questions

1 Do you often dream while you sleep?

**Yes, I often dream when I sleep. / No, I think I don't often dream...*

2 Do you remember your dreams? Can you tell me a dream that you remember clearly?

**Yes, I sometimes remember my dreams. / No, I don't remember my dreams.*

3 What was your nicest dream?

**My nicest dream was...*

4 Have you ever had a nightmare?

**Yes, I sometimes have a nightmare.*

5 Have you had a dream that is recurring?

**Yes, I've had a recurring dream. No, I never had a recurring dream.*

Extended questions

1 How do you understand this statement: "I dream of becoming a billionaire."?

**This statement means...*

2 Did any of your dreams come true?

**Yes, some of my dreams came true. / No, none of my dreams came true.*

3 Do you think that dreams may tell something about the future?

**Yes, I think dreams sometimes tell something... / No, I don't think....*

4 There is a saying: "Life is like a dream" Do you agree or disagree? Why?

**Yes, I agree that...because... / No, I don't agree...because...*

5 Do you think animals dream?

**Yes, I think animals dream. / No, I don't think animals dream.*

Vocabulary

1 dream /dri:m/

[noun] a series of events or images that happen in your mind when you are sleeping / something that you want to happen very much but that is not very likely

Ex. I had a very strange dream last night.

[verb] to experience events and images in your mind while you are sleeping / to imagine something that you would like to happen

Ex. I always dream of living in Europe.

2 nightmare /'naitmeə/

[noun] a dream that is very frightening or unpleasant/ an experience that is very frightening and unpleasant

Ex. The Math exam was a nightmare to me.

3 daydream /'deidri:m/

[verb] - noun: daydreamer; to have pleasant thoughts that make you forget about the present

Ex. I would spend hours daydreaming about a house of my own.

[noun] pleasant thoughts that make you forget about the present

Ex. She stared out of the window, lost in a daydream.

4 recurring /ri'kə:riŋ/

[adj] happening many times, or happening again

Ex. I had a recurring dream. That's so strange!

5 sleepwalk /'sli:pwɔ:k/

[verb] - noun: sleepwalker; to walk around while you are asleep

Ex. Some people may sleepwalk.

6 imaginative /i'mædʒinətiv/

[adj] having or showing new and exciting ideas

Ex. He is an imaginative designer.

Grammar / Useful Expressions

1 Dream of or dream about

Dream about : dream while sleeping

Ex. Last night I dreamt about my friend.

Dream of : imagine/want/wish; can also mean exactly the same as dream about.

Ex. He dreamt of becoming a teacher.

Last night I dreamt of my friend.

2 Dream on : You say dream on to tell somebody that an idea is not practical or likely to happen.

Ex. "You want me to give you 1000\$? Dream on!"

3 Dream (adj) : is also used as an adjective and goes before nouns.

Ex. Dream house, dream girl/boy, dream job, etc.

Idioms



1 a dream come true - when a desire is fulfilled

Ex. "My new job is a dream come true: the people are lovely, the work is interesting and it's close to my house".

2 living in a dream world - to have ideas or hopes which are unrealistic

Ex. "Stop living in a dream world! If you want to graduate you'll have to study harder."

3 broken dreams - dreams or goals that may never come true

Ex. I hope my future isn't filled with broken dreams.

4 Beyond one's wildest dreams - far more than you could have hoped for or imagined.

Ex. "My holiday in Mexico was beyond my wildest dreams, it was perfect".