

## Questions of Love — Storytelling Deck

A Keepsake ritual for deepening connection

Use this printable deck to guide a 60-minute storytelling session based on Arthur Aron's 36-question framework. Cut the cards or use the checklist as-is. Pair with the instructions in [Questions of Love: 36 Prompts](#) and the [36 Questions to Fall in Love](#) guide.

### Act I — Warm-Up (Questions 1–12)

1. If you could invite anyone in the world to dinner, who would it be and why?
2. Would you like to be famous? In what way?
3. Before making an important call, do you rehearse what you're going to say? Why?
4. What would constitute a "perfect" day for you right now?
5. When did you last sing to yourself? To someone else?
6. If you could live to age 90 with either the mind or body of a 30-year-old for the last 60 years, which would you choose?
7. Do you have a secret hunch about how you will die? Share what feelings come up.
8. Name three things you and your partner appear to have in common.
9. For what in your life do you feel most grateful right now?
10. If you could change anything about the way you were raised, what would it be?
11. Spend four minutes sharing your life story in as much detail as possible.
12. If you could wake up tomorrow with any new quality or ability, what would you choose?

### Act II — Shared Meaning (Questions 13–24)

13. If a crystal ball could tell you the truth about yourself, your life, or the future, what would you ask?

14. What dream have you held for a long time? Why hasn't it happened yet?
15. What accomplishment from the past year are you most proud of?
16. What do you value most in a friendship today?
17. Describe a treasured memory.
18. Share a difficult memory. What did you learn?
19. If you knew you would die in one year, what would you change about your life now?
20. What does friendship mean to you these days?
21. What roles do love and affection play in your life?
22. Alternate sharing a positive characteristic of your partner. Share five each.
23. How close and warm is your family? How did that shape you?
24. Talk about your relationship with your mother or primary caregiver and how it affects us today.

## **Act III — Future Vision (Questions 25–36)**

25. Make three true "we" statements (e.g., "We are both excited about...").
26. Complete the sentence: "I wish I had someone I could share..."
27. If we were going to become closer friends, what should I know about you?
28. Tell your partner what you like about them—be specific and honest.
29. Share an embarrassing moment and what you learned.
30. When did you last cry in front of someone? By yourself?
31. Tell your partner something you already like about them today.
32. What, if anything, feels too serious to joke about right now?
33. If you were to die this evening with no chance to communicate, what would you regret not saying?
34. After saving loved ones and pets from a fire, what one item would you rescue? Why?
35. Which family member's death would be most disturbing? Explain.
36. Share a personal problem and invite your partner's advice. Reflect back the feelings you heard.

## **Reflection Prompts**

- What answer surprised you most?
- What new tradition do you want to start together?
- What support do you need from each other over the next month?

Finish with four minutes of quiet connection—eye contact, hand-holding, or another grounding practice that feels safe.