Fighting Sports Conversation Questions

Warm-up Question:

How many different fighting sports can you think of? List as many as you can.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Have you ever been in a fight? How did it go?
- 2. Is it important to know how to physically protect yourself? Explain why or why not.
- 3. Is practicing a fighting sport a good way of staying fit?
- 4. The term "martial arts" is most closely associated with combat systems that come from East Asia. Why are Asian martial arts like Kung Fu and Karate well known?
- 5. Have you studied any martial arts? Did you take part in any tournaments or contests? If not, would you consider studying one?
- 6. One idea from martial arts is that skill can overcome strength in a fight. Which of those would you like to improve personally? Your skill or your strength?
- 7. Did any martials arts or fighting sports originate in your country? If so, say what you know about its history.
- 8. Which martial arts are popular in your country?
- 9. What do martial artists typically wear?
- 10. For many years, boxing was the dominant fighting sport in the western media. Who are some famous boxers?
- 11. UFC is now a popular sport in which competitors use various fighting styles. Have you watched UFC? What do you think about it?
- 12. Which martial art or fighting style is the most powerful, in your opinion?



- 13. What causes fights? Why do some confrontations or arguments become physical fights?
- 14. Have you watched any martial arts movies? Talk about one that you have seen.
- 15. Bruce Lee was a famous martial artist. What do you know about him and why is he respected?
- 16. Muhummad Ali is a famous boxer. Why do people respect him so much?
- 17. Some people look down on fighting sports and claim that they are uncivilized. What do you think?