

# Prepare for {IELTS}

## Describe an interesting conversation you had with someone

You should say:

- Who it was with
- When it was
- What it was about
- And explain why you found it interesting

I was struggling to think of a situation to talk about because every conversation I thought of would probably sound boring to another person, but I've decided to talk about a chat I had with a friend of mine who went to the UK to study and he told me about some of things that he experienced when he was there. I can't remember exactly when we had this conversation, but it was when he came back for a holiday after his first year of study. We met up for a bite to eat and a catch up. We've been friends since primary school and it was great to see him and hang out.

The UK is on my bucket list of places to visit so I was eager to know what it is like. The first thing he said was that the British are so polite. If they bump into you, they apologise, but also if you bump into them, they apologise as well. If they walk into a door, they'll say sorry to the door. People in my country are nowhere near as polite as this.

Another thing he mentioned was that they are obsessed with tea. If you are feeling down, they'll offer you a cup of tea. If you are celebrating something, they'll offer you a cup of tea. As soon as he walked into a British person's house, the first thing they said was 'I'll put the kettle on'. It is considered rude to refuse. Tea drinking is such a big part of their culture.

The reason why I found this conversation fascinating is because I love finding out about other nationalities and the things that they do that are different. There were loads of other things that he told me about living in the UK and as a result of our chat, I'm keener than ever to go. Hopefully, in the near future, I'll get the chance.

## PART 3

What are the differences between men and women's conversations?

**Some** might say that males talk about sport and females about food and fashion.

Personally, I know many men who **chat about** food and the latest fashions and, **likewise**, many **women who are into** football.

**It is often said that women gossip and men don't. However, this is not the case so...**

**Personally, I feel that it's wrong to stereotype\*.**



\*To have a widely held but fixed and oversimplified image or idea of a particular type of person or thing  
e.g. In many societies there is the stereotype of the woman as the carer and the man as the breadwinner.

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