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There are definite differences between men and women and in the ways for their communication process. There are countless jokes that are based on such a premise, TV Shows that reflect it, daily experience, and academic scholarship that prove it. What is the cause of the differences? The divide in communication between men and women is seen by the fact women are more discussion oriented, while men are more action oriented.

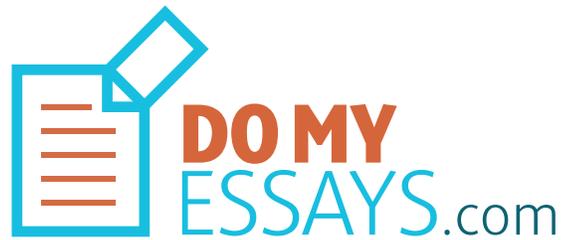
A main reason for this is formed in childhood by the way relationships develop. Girls when making friends with other people focus on communicating to connect. Therefore, talking is an essential part of the process. They share secrets, talk about their experiences, open up about their problems and discuss them. This is essential to their growth and development. Boys take a very different route to friendship. Their friendships are just as deep, but different. Firstly, they tend to create large groups, and their focus is on their joint activities, more than on conversation. This difference in youth leads to very different communication styles when they are adults. As youths, their conversations were largely girl-to-girl and boy-to-boy, when they now start to communicate man-to-woman this is a major opportunity for misunderstanding. Adult women now communicate primarily through dialogue, by sharing and discussing emotions, decisions and problems. However, as adults much of the direction of their communication is directed to the males in their lives. Males, however, have not learned these patterns of communication, and are still more action orientated. To them communication is simply to achieve some goal, or it is meaningless.

Research does indicate that these are the common traits in men and women, that cause communication difficulties between men and women. In general, men and women have communication differences, because of these early patterns that form in childhood and set in adulthood. The basic issue is “talk versus action”.

Another reason is that men and women see the world from different perspectives. The man sees it from a rational, practical viewpoint, while a woman sees it from an emotional viewpoint. This does not mean emotionalism or hysterics. There are definite gender differences between men and women. Women become mothers and they are the persons, who nurture the infant, and give it love. The father loves the baby too, but does not have the same instinct towards the baby, as the mother does. When they are discussing the baby these differences will emerge in their communication. He will sit down to share with her that he has taken insurance out, that he started an investment fund for the baby's university fees. She will look at him in amazement. The baby needs diapers, warm clothes and blankets. He will walk away confused, asking, " Surely everyone knows the kid will need a university education." She is emotionally focused on caring for her infant's need to be warm, while he is planning her life when the child is 18. Whilst both are missing each other's communication, the fact is both care deeply for the baby. It just comes out in different ways. The good news is despite these differences, humankind is still managing to cope, to communicate, to love, to laugh, to care and share.

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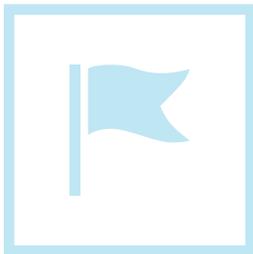


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