# Introducing someone

Introducing two people with each other requires you to know both individuals well enough to be able to provide them with a conversation starter.  
There is a right way and a wrong way of introducing someone:  
**The wrong way** - just the simple “Tim meet James, James meet Tim” doesn’t give them anything to talk about and will most likely make the situation awkward.  
**The right way** – follow the basic rules of introduction. They start off with you realising who should be introduced to whom.

The basic rules:   
  
Firstly, the older or higher ranking person should be introduced. If both criteria are not a factor, then simply introduce the person you know better.   
Secondly, the gender should be taken into consideration. The man should be introduced to the woman first, however, higher ranks trumps both gender and age.   
It should go without saying that you should be looking directly at the person you are speaking to and make eye contact.

The Ultimate Introducer:

To become one requires awareness of your body language. The fact is, poor body language (slouching, shrugging, lack of eye contact, etc.) implies disinterest, which is not a good vibe to be emitting. Good body language shows that you are interested and makes the people around you more confident.  
Conversation starters are a key element to a make your introduction successful. The topic that you choose should be of interest for both sides. Topics such as, hobbies, similar interests, interesting facts, etc. are a good choice of topic.

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