

Conversation

Communication is an essential part of our life. One of the main ways in which we communicate is through Conversations, which essentially means talking to each other.

In a one-way conversation you talk about someone. Whereas in a two-way communication it talking as well as listening for both of the people.

The emotions you display while conversing also changes the nature of conversation. It may be cooperative or competitive.

Based on these points we say there are 4 types of primary types of conversation: -

- **Debate** is a competitive, two-way conversation. The goal is to express different opinions while trying to influence the feelings of the audience. E.g.: - US presidential debates
- **Dialogue** is a cooperative, two-way conversation. The goal is for participants to exchange information and increase understanding between people . E.g.: - Everyday conversation between people
- **Discourse** is a cooperative, one-way conversation. The goal to deliver information from one person to one or many listeners/readers. E.g.: - A politician giving a speech.
- **Diatribes** is a competitive, one-way conversation. The goal is to express emotions, threaten those that disagree with you, and/or inspires those that share the same perspective. E.g.: - A parent gives harsh lecture to his son.

