



Secrets

Conversation > Intermediate 6



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

whisper	To speak very quietly.
[verb]	<i>Ex: She whispered a secret to her friend.</i>

probably	Likely.
[adverb]	<i>Ex: You probably shouldn't ride your bike here.</i>

hide	To put something in a place where it cannot be seen; to keep information secret.
[verb]	<i>Ex: He's hiding a rose behind his back.</i>

hold hands	To put a hand in another person's hand.
[phrase]	<i>Ex: They walked down the street holding hands.</i>



relationship	A close romantic friendship between two people.
[noun]	<i>Ex: You don't have to be in a relationship to feel really happy.</i>

revelation	The act of making something known that was secret.
[noun]	<i>Ex: That revelation about his real identity has shocked everyone in the family.</i>

secret	Something that only a few people know about.
[noun]	<i>Ex: I have a secret, don't tell anyone!</i>



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Peter: I wonder what David and Emily are whispering about.

Lisa: Hmm. I didn't even know that they were friends. They are probably talking about us.

Peter: I don't think so. They were whispering when we arrived.

Lisa: Oh, right! That's correct.

Peter: I think they are hiding something. I wonder what their secret is.

Lisa: Oh my god! Do you see that? They are holding each other's hands.



Peter: Wow! Wait, are they in a relationship?

Lisa: This is unbelievable! Who would've guessed?

Peter: They have only known each other for a short time. That was quick!

Lisa: This is a big revelation, Peter.

Peter: For sure! Everyone will envy David if this is true. Let's go and ask them.

Lisa: Alright. Lead the way, Peter.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

whispering
relationships
revelation
hiding
probably
secret
holding hands

1. Don't tell him about the party; it's a _____, and he's not invited.
2. The criminals are _____ from the police.
3. He _____ forgot to turn off his computer. It's still on!
4. Have you had any serious _____ in the past year?
5. I don't know exactly why they are _____ to each other.
6. The _____ about his real personality has surprised everyone.
7. I saw them _____! They're together!



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: Tell your friend John a secret that you wanted to share. The teacher can be John.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. Have you ever kept a secret from someone?
2. Can you keep a secret? How?
3. Do you tell your secrets to your friends? Why? Why not?
4. Do your friends tell you their secrets?
5. Did anyone ever keep a secret from you? If so, how did you feel?