

# Conversation - a history of a declining art

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## The art of conversation

A group of men chatting in No generally accepted definition of conversation exists, beyond the fact that a conversation involves at least two people talking together. But if you do this, you will have become an active, attractive listener.

## Conversation

And the measure of his book is that it makes one want to rush out and converse about it.

**Small talk advice for gentlemen: Conversational etiquette and intelligence.**

Consequently, the term is often defined by what it is not. A human judge engages in a natural language conversation with one human and one machine, each of which tries to appear human. He cites our technology iPods, cell phones, and video games and our insistence on unguarded forthrightness as well as our fear of being judgmental as powerful forces that are likely to diminish the art of conversation.

## The History of the Conversation Heart

It should be pleasant and unhurried and should put everyone at ease.

## Stephen Miller (writer)

Lozenges were quickly gaining steam as the medicine conveyance of choice, and were also popular remedies for sore throats and bad breath. Whereas the French salon excluded politics from polite conversation, in the British coffee house politics was a main preoccupation.

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For Miller the height of conversation occurs in the 18th century in the French salon and especially in the English coffee house. Richard Peter, the ruins of Dresden, 1945.

## **The History of the Conversation Heart**

He chronicles the art of conversation in Western civilization from its beginnings in ancient Greece to its apex in eighteenth-century Britain to its current endangered state in America.

### **Empty cities have long been a post**

Even silences had to be finely judged. Johnson and Hume work well as about the only value they shared in common was a love of conversation. This book reminded me a lot of Joseph Epstein's work; urbane, sophisticated, conservative, drawn from wide reading and long experience with city life.

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