

SHOULD I JOIN THIS CONVERSATION?

I like to listen to conversations and talk with people. Sometimes it is hard to know if I should join in or not. An example of when it is a good time to join into a conversation is when there is a group of people I know in the lunch-room talking about a video game that I like. I can go over to the group, look at them, listen to them and wait for a pause. Then I can make a comment about the video game they are talking about.

An example of when I should not join in a conversation is when I am at the doctor's office and two ladies I don't know are in front of me talking about a doctor's appointment and health issues. Since I don't know them and the topic is personal, I should not join in that conversation. I can ask myself "Do I know them?" and "Is this topic any of my business?" By thinking about whether I know them or not and if the conversation is personal or informal, I can make better decisions about joining a conversation.