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Read the text below and complete each blank with *one* word.

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Although we are all natural born liars, most of us seem to take it for granted that lying (1) bad. However, psychologists argue that lying is just (2) important as any other social skill we possess. We learn (3) art of deception very early in life; by the age of five, we have not only become quite efficient at lying, but we have also learnt how to read people's reactions and act accordingly.

(4) example, if someone is avoiding direct eye contact with us, this makes us think that we're being lied to so we might lie, too. A person's smile is also (5) giveaway. A genuine smile makes the skin near the eyes crease, whereas a "put on" smile doesn't have the effect on the facial (6) features (7) a real one.

Even though both women and men know how to watch (8) for clues that somebody is lying, it is a fact that women are (9) more skillful liars (10) men. Despite this, women are also more affected by other people's feelings, so they have more sympathy (11) them. As a result, women tend to be (12) willing to have an honest conversation.