

## Debunking Gender Myths

Fill in the gaps with the words from the box:

domestic (x2)   fall flat   it takes two to tango   meet them halfway

**Men apologize less frequently than women.**

**TRUE!**

Although 1) \_\_\_\_\_, men are less likely than women to apologize after a fight. A study by the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada, found that while both sexes believe that apologizing is important, men have a higher threshold for what constitutes offensive behaviour and are therefore less likely to say sorry. The research also found that women may be more inclined to apologize as a way of getting men to 2) \_\_\_\_\_ after they have a 3) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Men are more likely to be addicted to their smartphones than women.**

**FALSE!**

A recent study by Binghamton University found that women are more likely to exhibit susceptibility to smartphone addiction than men. According to the study, one in five women have insecure feelings beyond normal when they are separated from their gadgets. Women are also more prone to have a 4) \_\_\_\_\_ over phone use and **squander** more time on social media.

**Cheesy pick-up lines are more likely to work on women than men.**

**TRUE!**

But the Studies are interesting. Even though "cheeky and cheesy" pick-up lines may 5) \_\_\_\_\_, they do get the conversation going and can produce a short term hook up. But if you're looking for a long-term partner, guys, you gotta try harder!

**Women are better navigators than men.**

**FALSE!**

Research has shown that men tend to have better navigational skills than women, but this isn't due to an evolutionary advantage, as long believed. Published in the Royal Society Open Science journal, the study concluded that as kids, boys may have different experiences and opportunities that build navigational skills, such as being encouraged to play outside more than girls, making them better at mapping their surroundings.