

Cultural Analysis 文化解析

A: I noticed that the way we take turns differs across cultures.

B: Yes, different cultures have their own way of dealing with turn-taking. In English, turns should be taken immediately after one finishes his or her comment. In this scene, we can observe that while the characters are discussing the development of Taipei City, each character takes a turn immediately after the other.

A: I see. That's quite different from other cultures in which people take turns rather slowly by pausing between turns. Some cultures even take turns when the other person is still talking!

