**DESCRIPTION**

This book challenges the age-old myth that women's talk is trivial and unimportant. Drawing on a corpus of spontaneous conversation between friends, Jennifer Coates demonstrates the richness and complexity of the language used in such talk, focusing on women's use of hedges, questions and repetition.

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**FEATURES**

- The first book to explore in detail how women talk to each other rather than to discuss women's miscommunication with men
- Jennifer Coates is a leading feminist linguist and author of the most successful introductory book on language and gender.