

D13 Maja / Poland/ German Studies

Interaction partner(s): German student
Moment of enquiry: SS 07
Experience of difference: Visiting fellow students

Maja, a Polish student wants to visit a German student friend on the spur of the moment. However, her timing is bad for her friend, as she's getting ready for another date. The German girl regrets that she has no time for Maja and suggests they talk on the phone to set a different date for getting together. Maja finds it very rude to turn down company, and she is surprised that her friend is actually putting on her jacket and leaving the house for her date.

1. Why is Maja irritated by her German friend's behaviour, and what concept of hospitality are her expectations based on?
2. Why does the German student go to her date even though she's got company?