# Express English 英语特快



# Bridges 桥梁

## What's your favourite bridge in the world? 全球的桥梁中,你最喜欢哪座?

Some people in London said:

<u>Presenter</u>: "What is your favourite bridge in the world and why? 全球的桥梁中,你最喜欢哪座? 为什么?

<u>Man 1</u>: "It's got to be in Florence - the Ponte Vecchio. It's got sort of like, jeweller's shops along it and buildings and it's just very, like, picturesque."

<u>Woman 1</u>: "It's got to be the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco because it's so big and orange and cheerful."

<u>Presenter</u>: "If you could build a bridge between any people and places what would it be and what would it achieve?"

<u>Woman 2</u>: "I think I'd like to build a bridge that would go from like, one end to the other end of the world and then people could just like freely go from country to country."

<u>Man 1</u>: "It probably would be a convenience thing - probably. Like between like my bedroom and my kitchen."

<u>Woman 1</u>: "Probably between my TV and my fridge because I'm very lazy and I like my food."

## Did you know...? 你知道吗...?

#### Fact

Many of the world's longest bridges are in China, including the Hangzhou Bay Bridge and the Tianjin Grand Bridge.

### Language tip

Pronounce 'bridges' as two syllables: 'bridge-iz' (or /brɪdʒ/). This is the same for all words ending in 'dge'. Others are edge, ledge and badge.

### **Cultural tip**

If you 'burn your bridges' you do something which makes it impossible to go back.

## Here is the webpage for this programme:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/ukchina/simp/elt/ask about britain/110311 ee 7 bridges story.shtml