

Manners or No Manners Game

Cut out the cards and take turns around the table reading a card. Let everyone suggest an answer and then flip the card over to reveal whether the statement on the card was true or false. You can discuss the correct answer as well, coming up with reasons why the behaviour is acceptable or not.

<p>Q: If you have finished eating something and want more you should ask your host for another serving or for more food. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should not ask for seconds you should wait until your host asks.</p>	<p>Q: You should use your utensils in the order they are presented on the table from the outside in. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, utensils are placed in order so you will always know which one to use.</p>
<p>Q: When someone speaks to you, kindly answer them. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, you should never ignore a person who has spoken to you, even if you are shy.</p>	<p>Q: When meeting someone and shaking his/her hand you should shake hands with your right hand. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, this is the standard way to shake hands even if you are left handed.</p>
<p>Q: It is appropriate to apologise if you've made a mistake. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, because apologising makes everyone feel good, and by being honest you show that you are responsible.</p>	<p>Q: When there is a sauce or a dip on the table it is okay to "double dip" and put your food in the sauce more than once. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should never "double dip" instead you should use a serving spoon to put some on your plate.</p>
<p>Q: When your fingers are sticky with food, it is okay to lick them in public. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should use your napkin, or if a small bowl of water is provided you can dip your fingers in that to clean them.</p>	<p>Q: When your host puts his/her napkin down on the table this is a sign that you can do the same. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, you may now put your napkin to the left of your plate</p>
<p>Q: It's polite to say "I'm full" or "I'm stuffed" when you are finished eating. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, never say this as it implies that you over indulged and ate too much.</p>	<p>Q: You should try a bit of every food offered. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, it is polite to sample what your host has provided. Make sure you give yourself a small portion.</p>

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<p>Q: When you have food in your teeth, it is okay to pick your teeth in front of others. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should do this in private. Ask to be excused if you cannot wait until dinner is finished.</p>	<p>Q: When you need to cough in front of others it is okay to turn your head and do it in your sleeve. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, coughing or sneezing in your sleeve is acceptable.</p>
<p>Q: You should put your used or dirty napkin on your plate when you are finished eating. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, the napkin stays on your lap until the host indicates it is time to leave the table and then you place it to the left of your plate.</p>	<p>Q: The youngest person should leave the table first.</p> <p>A: No, elders should leave the table first.</p>
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<p>Q: It is polite for men to hold chairs out for ladies when dining to help the lady sit. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, women should be seated first and men should pull the chair out to help them.</p>	<p>Q: It is okay to laugh at someone if they fall down or spill something. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, this would be embarrassing for the other person. Always respect the feelings of others.</p>
<p>Q: When you chew gum it is okay to throw it on the street or stick it under the table. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should wrap your gum in a tissue or paper and then throw it in the garbage. No one wants to step in or feel used gum at the table.</p>	<p>Q: When someone is new to a group you should introduce them. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, it is polite to introduce everyone so that all your guests feel comfortable.</p>

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<p>Q: When you eat soup you should move the spoon toward the back of the bowl, touch the rim, lift to your mouth and then sip it. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, do not slurp your soup when you do this either. As well, do not place the whole soup spoon into your mouth.</p>	<p>Q: If you borrow something it is okay to lend it to someone else as long as you return it to the original owner. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you must let the owner decide if he/she will lend the article to anyone else. Also, be sure to return things in good condition.</p>
<p>Q: You should remove your hat when you enter a house or when you sit down for a meal. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, it is always polite to remove your hat.</p>	<p>Q: you should hold the door open for people behind you. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, if you hold the door open for them then it will not slam into them and possibly hurt them.</p>
<p>Q: It is polite to wait your turn in a conversation and speak when there is a natural pause. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, it is impolite to interrupt someone when they are speaking.</p>	<p>Q: If you are complimented you should put yourself down and say you do not deserve the praise. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should graciously accept a compliment and say "Thank you."</p>
<p>Q: You should sit up straight when seated at the table. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, you should not slouch as that implies you do not want to be there and would insult your host.</p>	<p>Q: Unless, your host tells you otherwise, you should wait until everyone else is served before you begin eating. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: Yes, you do not start to eat until everyone else has their food in front of them.</p>
<p>Q: You could use your napkin to blow your nose at the table if you really need to. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, your napkin is for your fingers and lips. If you use your napkin for your nose it would be unpleasant for those around you. Ask to be excused from the table and find a tissue.</p>	<p>Q: If you eat your food fast it is a sure sign that you are enjoying the meal prepared for you. Yes or No?</p> <p>A: No, you should eat your food slowly. The person who made the food took great care to prepare it properly and by eating it slowly you show that you are enjoying it.</p>