

International Conversation Cafe

Lifestyle Topic: Manners

Manners is a word that describes a polite way of behaving with others. Parents usually try to instill manners in their children, knowing that good manners can help in all interpersonal relationships. Below are listed questions dealing with manners. Pick out questions you are most interested in learning about.

Car Manners...

*What are bad car manners in your country?
Do you think honking your horn is good or bad?*

Families...

*What table manners do you think are important to teach to your children?
What is the best way to teach manners to children?
What are the ways a husband and wife greet each other in your country?*

With others...

*What are the ways friends greet each other?
What are some bad habits when in conversation?
What makes you feel that someone really cares about you?
Do husbands and wives give gifts to each other? Give an example.
What are some good manners in using cell phones?
What are considered bad manners in using cell phones?
Do you say "hi" to people even if you do not know them? Why or why not?
Is kissing in public good or bad manners? Why?*

In other cultures

*What culture do you think is most polite? Explain
What advice would you give a foreigner visiting your country who would like to show good manners?
What things about manners in the USA do you find difficult to adjust to? Is there anything about manners in the USA that you prefer to manners in your country?
Is there anything about manners in your country that you prefer to manners in the US?*