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## **Etiquette Study Guide**

- When helping someone to be seated at a table, the male should assist the female to his left
- When seated at a table, one should enter on the left side of the chair
- At the end of the meal, the napkin should be placed unfolded to the left of the plate
- Food is passed to the right
- The waiter serves from the customer's left and picks up from their right

• If one needs to leave the table during the meal, the napkin should be placed in the chair, not on the table

- Work from the outside in on the silverware
- When setting a table, place the napkin so that the open edges or corners of the napkin are in the upper right corner of the napkin
- Stand behind the chair until the hostess, lady of the house is seated
- Cell phones should be turned on silent with no texting during meeting, at meals, or other social events
- Bread can be used as a pusher
- When eating at a restaurant a hostess or waiter directs the group to their seat.
- The women usually follow the one leading the group to be seated
- The host or male suggests items on the menu indicating to his guest what price he is prepared to pay
- When a man is introduced to a woman, the woman's name should be said first
- Eye contact should be made when shaking someone's hand
- Cell phones should not be used during a business luncheon or formal dinner
- When introducing yourself, always use your first and last name but never your title
- Slang should never be used during a formal meal
- A handshake can be brief and firm
- Ones name tag should be worn on the right side of the shirt/blouse or jacket
- Cut salad with a knife if the pieces are too large to fit in your mouth
- Break off a whole piece of bread or roll into 2 or more smaller pieces

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- One should always write the host a thank you letter after being at a dinner party
- If a food is served that you have never eaten, wait until the host/hostess eats it to understand

## what to do

- One never has a second chance to make a good impression
- Manners and etiquette should be always practiced
- When served something that one has never tasted, it is proper to taste the food item as least
- Silverware should be placed across the dinner plate
- Silverware and napkins should be placed one inch from the edge of the table
- Desert silverware should be placed above the dinner plate and turned sideways

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