

Modern Etiquette

by Roberta Lee

1. Where and in what manner should the napkin be left after a meal?
2. Should men rise when other men come into the room and are introduced?
3. Is it a discourtesy to ask a person for books which he has borrowed?
4. If a reception is being given in honor of someone, does his or her name appear on the invitation?
5. Who should go first in proceeding from the living room to the dining room?
6. What is the most suitable material for the dress of the maid of honor at a wedding?
7. Is it necessary to give the reason for refusing an invitation, when writing the refusal?
8. Who should say grace before meals, the father or the mother?
9. Is a person ever considered well-dressed when he has soiled gloves, or shoes with run-down heels?
10. When writing someone, asking for information, or a favor of any kind, what should one never fail to do?
11. Is it incorrect for one to give two showers to the same bride-elect?
12. Is the custom of calling on new neighbors practised in the larger cities?
13. In what case is an introduction obligatory?
14. Should a guest ever reprove the children of her hostess?
15. How may the hostess's personality be read at the dinner table?
16. Should one ever address a wedding invitation to "Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Family"?
17. Should a woman wait for her escort while he pays the taxi fare, or should she walk on?
18. Is there any ceremonious social function that can be held at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon?

Answers

1. It should be left lying loosely beside the plate; never fold it.
2. Yes, always.
3. Not if a reasonable length of time has elapsed.
4. Yes; it appears in the same manner as that of the dinner invitation.
5. The older people; the younger should fall back until the older have advanced.
6. Satin.
7. It is courteous to do so, but one should never give complete details.
8. The father; but if he is reluctant to perform this rite, the mother should do so.
9. No; they spoil any costume.
10. Enclose a stamped and addressed envelope for the reply.
11. No; this matter is best determined by personal wishes.
12. No.
13. When two persons express a desire to meet each other.
14. No, not even in the mildest, gentlest way.
15. By the silver, linen, and crystal. If she has excellent taste, her table tells it.
16. No; the words "and family" are no longer used. A separate invitation should be sent to each member of the family.
17. She should wait.
18. Yes; women sometimes have formal luncheons at 4 o'clock.

WEEKLY LESSON IN ENGLISH—
by W. L. Gordon

Words often misused:

Do not say, "The clouds seem to be threatening." Say "appear to be" when referring to the senses. Things

seem to the mind, as "His explanation seems to be logical."

Do not say, "Jane is a valuable assistant in the work." Say, "a valued assistant."

Do not say, "I see her every once in awhile." Omit "every," or say, "I see her now and then."

Do not write, "Your's sincerely." "Yours," without an apostrophe, is a possessive pronoun.

Do not say, "Mary is visiting with her relatives." Omit "with."

Do not say, "We are going to try an experiment." An experiment is "a trial." Say, "make an experiment."

Words Often Mispronounced

Ribald. Pronounce rib-ald, i as in "rib" (not as in "ride"), a unstressed, accent first syllable.

Fenwick (an English family name.) Pronounce fen-ik, e as a "men," i as in "it," not fen-wik.

Negotiate. Pronounce ne-go-she-at, e as in "me," o as in "go," i as in "it," a as in "ate," accent second syllable, and not ne-go-si-at.

Chicago. Pronounce she-ko-go, i as in "it," first o as in "or," last o as in "no."

Fifth. Pronounce the f and not fith.

Console (noun.) Pronounce kon-sol, first o as in "on," last o as in "no," and accent first syllable.

Words Often Misspelled

Manna (food), manner (custom), manor (a mansion.) Champaign (a wine), champaign (open country.) Referendum; three e's, one r. Evening; not evning. Coalesce; observe the esce. Venison; not venn.

Synonyms

Endless, unending, boundless, everlasting, interminable, perpetual, unlimited, imperishable.

Detain, retain, retard, arrest, check, stop.

Attachment, affection, love, fidelity.

Indelible, ineffaceable, permanent, fixed, fast.

Company, assembly, assemblage, gathering, body, group.

Deterioration, degeneration, decadence, decay.

Word Study

"Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Words for this lesson:

Divert; to turn aside. "My interest was diverted for a moment."

Species (a noun, both singular and plural); a group of animals or plants which have in common one or more distinctive characters. "There are many species of roses."

Motive; that which incites to motion. "What motive could he have had for such action?"

Furtively; slyly; secretly. "He was furtively watching every move."

Sardonic; insincere and derisive; unnatural or forced. "The man's sardonic laughter rang through the house."

Commodious; spacious and convenient. "The house was long and commodious."

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Notable Program to Be Feature of Live Stock Show This Year

Chicago will be host to the country from Nov. 29 to Dec. 6, when the International Live Stock Exposition will draw to it a mammoth display of the manifold wonders of the rural world.

Extending throughout 20 acres of buildings and a large part of the adjoining pens in the Chicago Stock Yards, this renowned exposition will unfold to the visiting thousands an eye filling pageant of the final products of scientific methods applied to present day agriculture, says B. H. Heide, secretary-manager of the show.

Although, according to the management, the exposition is not sched-

uled to open officially until Nov. 29, the first Saturday following Thanksgiving, one important event, the Junior Live Stock Judging Contest, will take place on Friday, Nov. 28. State champion teams of farm boys and girls are sent to Chicago from a large number of states to compete for national honors.

Saturday, Nov. 29, marks the official opening of the exposition. It will be a day crowded with events of interest to young people, with the Junior Live Stock Feeding Contest, the Collegiate Live Stock Judging Contest, and the opening of the 4-H Club Congress. Saturday evening bring the first of the Horse Shows, which will continue each night, except Sunday, until the close of the exposition.

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