

Tips From Emily Post

PARTY REGULATIONS

1. Is it correct for a girl to go with a boy to a party given by someone that she doesn't know?

Ans. It is incorrect for a girl, but a boy can always go anywhere that wither a girl or another boy takes him.

WALKING

1. If a boy is walking with two girls should he walk between them?

Ans. A boy should always walk next to the curb, never "sandwich" himself between two girls.

THE CORRECT WORD

3. When do you say "I beg your pardon" and when "Excuse me" and when are you "sorry"?

Ans. You say "I beg your pardon" after any real awkwardness, as tripping over one while groping for a seat in a movie, "Excuse me" for merely passing in front of one, and "I'm sorry" for a very slight awkwardness or misunderstanding.

THE RIGHT DRESS

4. When in doubt of the kind of dress to wear to a party, what should you wear?

Ans. Wear the plainer dress. It is better to be "underdressed than overdressed".

LOST ARTICLE

5. If an article of your guest is lost, should you replace it?

Ans. Every attempt should be made on your part to find it, but you are not expected to replace it.

TALKING TO STRANGERS

6. How do you begin a conversation with a person not introduced to you?

Ans. To begin, say, "I am Jane Jones, of Bailey High." Then begin "trying for nibbles"; that is, fish for a topic of interest to the stranger.

CHAPERONES

7. Should you always have a chaperon when going out at night?

Ans. To be "above criticism and disapproval," you should always have a chaperon.

CHEWING GUM

8. When is it correct to chew gum?

Ans. It is correct to chew gum in the privacy of your home and while attending recreational activities, providing you chew without attracting attention; never use gum at church, on the street, in class, or at formal entertainments.

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