

Test your politeness level

Read each question carefully and choose the best possible answer.

1. Which of these best describes a polite person?
 - a) Someone who never disagrees with anyone.
 - b) Someone who thinks about how their words and actions affect others.
 - c) Someone who always uses formal language.
 - d) Someone who speaks very quietly.
2. What is tact?
 - a) The ability to say or do things without offending people, especially in difficult situations.
 - b) To have the ability to feel empathy for others.
 - c) A type of strategy used in music games.
 - d) The speed at which someone talks.
3. Which statement about politeness is TRUE?
 - a) Politeness means always putting others before yourself.
 - b) Politeness means never saying what you really think.
 - c) Politeness means treating others with respect while still being true to yourself.
 - d) Politeness is only important with strangers, not with family.
4. What is the difference between being polite and being formal?
 - a) They mean exactly the same thing.
 - b) Being polite is about respect; being formal is about following strict social rules.
 - c) Being polite is for strangers; being formal is for family.
 - d) Being formal is easier than being polite.
5. Which quality is most closely related to politeness?
 - a) Intelligence
 - b) Wealth
 - c) Consideration
 - d) Thoughtfulness
6. What does it mean to have "good manners"?
 - a) Knowing all the formal rules of etiquette.
 - b) Behaving in a way that shows respect and consideration for others.
 - c) Coming from a wealthy or well-educated family.
 - d) Always being the first to speak or act.

Decide if the statement is true or false.

7. It is always polite to be completely honest, no matter the situation. (True / False)
8. Interrupting someone while they are speaking is generally considered a polite way to show you are interested. (True / False)
9. Using a person's correct title (like Dr., Professor, or Mr.) is a form of politeness. (True/False)
10. Can a person be polite without using words like "please" and "thank you"? (True/False)

Choose the most appropriate and polite action for each situation.

11. You are at a formal dinner party. You need to use the restroom. What is the most polite thing to do?
 - a) Excuse yourself quietly from the table and go.
 - b) Announce to the whole table, "I need to use the bathroom!"
 - c) Leave without saying anything.
 - d) Ask the host for permission in front of everyone.
12. You are in a conversation with two other people. Someone new joins your group. What is a polite thing to do?
 - a) Ignore them and continue your conversation.
 - b) Briefly acknowledge them with a nod, but keep talking.
 - c) Briefly pause and help them join the conversation, perhaps by summarizing the topic.
 - d) Stop talking completely and wait for them to start a new topic.
13. A friend gives you a birthday gift. You don't really like it. What should you say?
 - a) Say "Oh, you shouldn't have," and put it aside without opening it.
 - b) Tell them honestly that it's not really your style.
 - c) Thank them sincerely for the thought and the gift.
 - d) Ask them where they bought it so you can exchange it.
14. You are in a crowded elevator. Someone you don't know gets on and briefly makes eye contact. What do you do?
 - a) Look away immediately and stare at the floor numbers.
 - b) Give a small smile and a slight nod.
 - c) Start a conversation by asking them what floor they are going to.
 - d) Stare at your phone for the entire ride.

- 15.** You receive a text message from a friend late at night while you are sleeping. What do you do?
- a) Reply immediately, even though you just woke up, to show you're available.
 - b) Get annoyed that they texted so late and send a grumpy reply in the morning.
 - c) Ignore it completely.
 - d) Wait until a reasonable hour the next morning and reply normally.
- 16.** A colleague at work tells you a long, boring story. You need to finish a task and don't have time to listen. What is the most polite way to handle this?
- a) Walk away while they are still talking.
 - b) Say, "I'm really sorry to interrupt, but I have a deadline I absolutely must meet. Can we continue this later? I'd love to hear the rest."
 - c) Pretend to listen while checking your phone.
 - d) Tell them, "This is really boring. I don't have time for this."

