LISTENING EXERCISE

BEFORE YOU LISTEN

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A ▶ 1:11 VOCABULARY • *Manners and etiquette* Read and listen. Then listen again and repeat.

etiquette rules for polite behavior in society or in a particular group

cultural literacy knowing about and respecting the culture of others

table manners rules for polite behavior when eating with other people

punctuality the habit of being on time

impolite not polite, rude

offensive extremely rude or impolite

customary usual or traditional in a particular culture

taboo not allowed because of very strong cultural or religious rules

B Complete each sentence with the correct word or phrase from the Vocabulary.

1 It's (taboo / impolite) to eat pork in some religions. No one would ever do it.

2 Many people believe that (cultural literacy / punctuality) is important and that being late is impolite.

3 In some cultures, it's (offensive / customary) to take pictures of people without permission, so few people do that.

4 Some people think that talking with a mouth full of food is an example of bad (cultural literacy / table manners).

5 In some cultures, it's (customary / offensive) to name children after a living relative, and most people observe that tradition.

6 Each culture has rules of (cultural literacy / etiquette) that are important for visitors to that country to know.

7 In more conservative cultures, it's slightly (impolite / taboo) to call someone by his or her first name without being invited to, but it isn't truly offensive.

8 The most successful global travelers today have developed their (punctuality / cultural literacy) so they are aware of differences in etiquette from culture to culture.

Answer these questions:

1. What are some good ways to teach children etiquette? Give examples.

2. Do you know of any differences in eqtiquette between your culture and others? Give examples.

3. In your country, when and how do you adress people formally and informally? Give Examples.

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4. What are the customs about punctuality?

5. Are there places certain clothes would be inappropriate?

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

A 1:12 **LISTEN FOR MAIN IDEAS** Look at the subjects on the chart. Listen to three calls from a radio show. Check the subjects that are discussed during each call.

B 1:13 **LISTEN TO SUMMARIZE** Listen again. On a separate sheet of paper, take notes about the calls. Then, with a partner, write a summary of each call. Use the Vocabulary.

Subjects	1 Arturo / Jettrin	2 Hiroko / Nadia	3 Javier / Sujeet
table manners	☐	☐	☐
greetings	☐	☐	☐
dress and clothing	☐	☐	☐
male / female behavior	☐	☐	☐
taboos	☐	☐	☐
offensive behavior	☐	☐	☐
punctuality	☐	☐	☐
language	☐	☐	☐

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