

LESSON 3

GOAL Develop your cultural awareness

BEFORE YOU LISTEN

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.

- It's (*taboo / impolite*) to eat pork in some religions. No one would ever do it.
- Many people believe that (*cultural literacy / punctuality*) is important and that being late is impolite.
- In some cultures, it's (*offensive / customary*) to take pictures of people without permission, so few people do that.
- Some people think that talking with a mouth full of food is an example of bad (*cultural literacy / table manners*).
- In some cultures, it's (*customary / offensive*) to name children after a living relative, and most people observe that tradition.
- Each culture has rules of (*cultural literacy / etiquette*) that are important for visitors to that country to know.
- 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.
- The most successful global travelers today have developed their (*punctuality / cultural literacy*) so they are aware of differences in etiquette from culture to culture.

C DISCUSSION Discuss your opinions, using the Vocabulary.

- What are some good ways to teach children etiquette? Give examples.
- Do you know of any differences in etiquette between your culture and others? Give examples.
- Why are table manners important in almost all cultures? How would people behave if there were no rules?

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

A **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 **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 / Jettlin	2 Hiroko / Nadia	3 Javier / Sujest
table manners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
greetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
dress and clothing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
male / female behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
taboos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
offensive behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
punctuality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOW YOU CAN

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A FRAME YOUR IDEAS With a partner, look at the questions about your culture on the notepad. Discuss each question and write answers.

How do people greet each other when they meet for the first time?

How do they greet each other when they already know each other?

Are greeting customs different for men and women? How?

When and how do you address people formally?

When and how do you address people informally?

What are some do's and don'ts for table manners?

Are certain foods or beverages taboo?

What are some taboo conversation topics?

What are the customs about punctuality?

What is a customary gift to bring on a visit to someone's home?

Are there any gift taboos (kinds of flowers, etc.)?

Are there places where certain clothes would be inappropriate?

Is there an important aspect of your culture that's not on this list?

C GROUP WORK Role-play a conversation with a visitor to your country. Tell the visitor about your culture. Use the answers to the questions on the notepad.

It's bad table manners to pick up a soup bowl and drink soup from it. You have to use a spoon.

It's not customary for a man to extend his hand to shake hands with a woman. He should wait for the woman to do that.

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