

- 1 1st Every Action done in Company, ought to be with Some Sign of Respect, to those that are
- 2 Present.
- 3 2d When in Company, put not your Hands to any Part of the Body, not usually Discovered.
- 4 3d Shew Nothing to your Freind that may affright him.
- 5 4th In the Presence of Others Sing not to yourself with a humming Noise, nor Drum with your
- 6 Fingers or Feet.
- 7 5th If You Cough, Sneeze, Sigh, or Yawn, do it not Loud but Privately; and Speak not in your
- 8 Yawning, but put Your handkercheif or Hand before your face and turn aside.
- 9 6th Sleep not when others Speak, Sit not when others stand, Speak not when you Should hold
- 10 your Peace, walk not on when others Stop.
- 11 7th Put not off your Cloths in the presence of Others, nor go out your Chamber half Drest.
- 12 8th At Play and at Fire its Good manners to Give Place to the last Commer, and affect not to
- 13 Speak Louder than Ordinary.
- 14 9th Spit not in the Fire, nor Stoop low before it neither Put your Hands into the Flames to warm
- 15 them, nor Set your Feet upon the Fire especially if there be meat before it.
- 16 10th When you Sit down, Keep your Feet firm and Even, without putting one on the other or
- 17 Crossing them.
- 18 11th Shift not yourself in the Sight of others nor Gnaw your nails.
- 19 12th Shake not the head, Feet, or Legs rowl not the Eys lift not one eyebrow higher than the
- 20 other wry not the mouth, and bedew no mans face with your Spittle, by approaching too near him
- 21 when you Speak.



- 22 13th Kill no Vermin as Fleas, lice ticks &c in the Sight of Others, if you See any filth or thick
23 Spittle put your foot Dexteriously upon it if it be upon the Cloths of your Companions, Put it off
24 privately, and if it be upon your own Cloths return Thanks to him who puts it off.
- 25 14th Turn not your Back to others especially in Speaking, Jog not the Table or Desk on which
26 Another reads or writes, lean not upon any one.
- 27 15th Keep your Nails clean and Short, also your Hands and Teeth Clean yet without Shewing
28 any great Concern for them.
- 29 16th Do not Puff up the Cheeks, Loll not out the tongue rub the Hands, or beard, thrust out the
30 lips, or bite them or keep the Lips too open or too Close.
- 31 17th Be no Flatterer, neither Play with any that delights not to be Play'd Withal.
- 32 18th Read no Letters, Books, or Papers in Company but when there is a Necessity for the doing
33 of it you must ask leave: come not near the Books or Writings of Another so as to read them
34 unless desired or give your opinion of them unask'd also look not nigh when another is writing a
35 Letter.
- 36 19th let your Countenance be pleasant but in Serious Matters Somewhat grave.
- 37 20th The Gestures of the Body must be Suited to the discourse you are upon.
- 38 21st: Reproach none for the Infirmitates of Nature, nor Delight to Put them that have in mind
39 thereof.
- 40 22d Shew not yourself glad at the Misfortune of another though he were your enemy.
- 41 23d When you see a Crime punished, you may be inwardly Pleased; but always shew Pity to the
42 Suffering Offender.
- 43 24th Do not laugh too loud or too much at any Publick Spectacle.

44 25th Superfluous Complements and all Affectation of Ceremonie are to be avoided, yet where
45 due they are not to be Neglected.

46 26th In Pulling off your Hat to Persons of Distinction, as Noblemen, Justices, Churchmen &c
47 make a Reverence, bowing more or less according to the Custom of the Better Bred, and Quality
48 of the Person. Amongst your equals expect not always that they Should begin with you first, but
49 to Pull off the Hat when there is no need is Affectation, in the Manner of Saluting and resaluting
50 in words keep to the most usual Custom.

51 27th Tis ill manners to bid one more eminent than yourself be covered as well as not to do it to
52 whom it's due Likewise he that makes too much haste to Put on his hat does not well, yet he
53 ought to Put it on at the first, or at most the Second time of being ask'd; now what is herein
54 Spoken, of Qualification in behaviour in Saluting, ought also to be observed in taking of Place,
55 and Sitting down for ceremonies without Bounds is troublesome.

56 28th If any one come to Speak to you while you are are Sitting Stand up tho he be your Inferiour,
57 and when you Present Seats let it be to every one according to his Degree.

58 29th When you meet with one of Greater Quality than yourself, Stop, and retire especially if it be
59 at a Door or any Straight place to give way for him to Pass.

60 30th In walking the highest Place in most Countrys Seems to be on the right hand therefore Place
61 yourself on the left of him whom you desire to Honour: but if three walk together the middest
62 Place is the most Honourable the wall is usually given to the most worthy if two walk together.

63 31st If any one far Surpassess others, either in age, Estate, or Merit yet would give Place to a
64 meaner than himself in his own lodging or elsewhere the one ought not to except it, So he on the
65 other part should not use much earnestness nor offer it above once or twice.

66 32d: To one that is your equal, or not much inferior you are to give the cheif Place in your
67 Lodging and he to who 'tis offered ought at the first to refuse it but at the Second to accept
68 though not without acknowledging his own unworthiness.



- 69 33d They that are in Dignity or in office have in all places Precedency but whilst they are
70 Young they ought to respect those that are their equals in Birth or other Qualitys, though they
71 have no Publick charge.
- 72 34th It is good Manners to prefer them to whom we Speak before ourselves especially if they be
73 above us with whom in no Sort we ought to begin.
- 74 35th Let your Discourse with Men of Business be Short and Comprehensive.
- 75 36th Artificers & Persons of low Degree ought not to use many ceremonies to Lords, or Others
76 of high Degree but Respect and highly Honour them, and those of high Degree ought to treat
77 them with affability & Courtesie, without Arrogancy.
- 78 37th In Speaking to men of Quality do not lean nor Look them full in the Face, nor approach too
79 near them at lest Keep a full Pace from them.
- 80 38th In visiting the Sick, do not Presently play the Physicion if you be not Knowing therein.
- 81 39th In writing or Speaking, give to every Person his due Title According to his Degree & the
82 Custom of the Place.
- 83 40th Strive not with your Superiers in argument, but always Submit your Judgment to others
84 with Modesty.
- 85 41st Undertake not to Teach your equal in the art himself Proffesses; it Savours of arrogancy.
- 86 42d Let thy ceremonies in Courtesie be proper to the Dignity of his place with whom thou
87 conversest for it is absurd to act the same with a Clown and a Prince.
- 88 43d Do not express Joy before one sick or in pain for that contrary Passion will aggravate his
89 Misery.
- 90 44th When a man does all he can though it Succeeds not well blame not him that did it.

- 91 45th Being to advise or reprehend any one, consider whether it ought to be in publick or in
92 Private; presently, or at Some other time in what terms to do it & in reproving Shew no Sign of
93 Cholar but do it with all Sweetness and Mildness.
- 94 46th Take all Admonitions thankfully in what Time or Place Soever given but afterwards not
95 being culpable take a Time & Place convenient to let him him know it that gave them.
- 96 47th Mock not nor Jest at any thing of Importance break no Jest that are Sharp Biting and if you
97 Deliver any thing witty and Pleasent abstain from Laughing there at yourself.
- 98 48th Wherein wherein you reprove Another be unblameable yourself; for example is more
99 prevalent than Precepts.
- 100 49th Use no Reproachfull Language against any one neither Curse nor Revile.
- 101 50th Be not hasty to beleive flying Reports to the Disparagement of any.
- 102 51st Wear not your Cloths, foul, unript or Dusty but See they be Brush'd once every day at least
103 and take heed that you approach not to any Uncleaness.
- 104 52d In your Apparel be Modest and endeavour to accomodate Nature, rather than to procure
105 Admiration keep to the Fashion of your equals Such as are Civil and orderly with respect to
106 Times and Places.
- 107 53d Run not in the Streets, neither go too slowly nor with Mouth open go not Shaking yr Arms
108 kick not the earth with yr feet, go not upon the Toes, nor in a Dancing fashion.
- 109 54th Play not the Peacock, looking every where about you, to See if you be well Deck't, if your
110 Shoes fit well if your Stokings sit neatly, and Cloths handsomely.
- 111 55th Eat not in the Streets, nor in the House, out of Season.



112 56th Associate yourself with Men of good Quality if you Esteem your own Reputation; for 'tis
113 better to be alone than in bad Company.

114 57th In walking up and Down in a House, only with One in Company if he be Greater than
115 yourself, at the first give him the Right hand and Stop not till he does and be not the first that
116 turns, and when you do turn let it be with your face towards him, if he be a Man of Great
117 Quality, walk not with him Cheek by Jowl but Somewhat behind him; but yet in Such a Manner
118 that he may easily Speak to you.

119 58th Let your Conversation be without Malice or Envy, for 'tis a Sign of a Tractable and
120 Commendable Nature: And in all Causes of Passion admit Reason to Govern.

121 59th Never express anything unbecoming, nor Act agst the Rules Moral before your inferiours.

122 60th Be not immodest in urging your Freinds to Discover a Secret.

123 61st Utter not base and frivolous things amongst grave and Learn'd Men nor very Difficult
124 Questions or Subjects, among the Ignorant or things hard to be believed, Stuff not your
125 Discourse with Sentences amongst your Betters nor Equals.

126 62d Speak not of doleful Things in a Time of Mirth or at the Table; Speak not of Melancholy
127 Things as Death and Wounds, and if others Mention them Change if you can the Discourse tell
128 not your Dreams, but to your intimate Friend.

129 63d A Man ought not to value himself of his Atchievements, or rare Qualities of wit; much less
130 of his riches Virtue or Kindred.

131 64th Break not a Jest where none take pleasure in mirth Laugh not aloud, nor at all without
132 Occasion, deride no mans Misfortune, tho' there Seem to be Some cause.

133 65th Speak not injurious Words neither in Jest nor Earnest Scoff at none although they give
134 Occasion.

- 135 66th Be not forward but friendly and Courteous; the first to Salute hear and answer & be not
136 Pensive when it's a time to Converse.
- 137 67th Detract not from others neither be excessive in Commanding.
- 138 68th Go not thither, where you know not, whether you Shall be Welcome or not. Give not
139 Advice without being Ask'd & when desired do it briefly.
- 140 69th If two contend together take not the part of either unconstrained; and be not obstinate in
141 your own Opinion, in Things indiferent be of the Major Side.
- 142 70th Reprehend not the imperfections of others for that belongs to Parents Masters and
143 Superiours.
- 144 71st Gaze not on the marks or blemishes of Others and ask not how they came. What you may
145 Speak in Secret to your Friend deliver not before others.
- 146 72d Speak not in an unknown Tongue in Company but in your own Language and that as those
147 of Quality do and not as the Vulgar; Sublime matters treat Seriously.
- 148 73d Think before you Speak pronounce not imperfectly nor bring out your Words too hastily but
149 orderly & distinctly.
- 150 74th When Another Speaks be attentive your Self and disturb not the Audience if any hesitate in
151 his Words help him not nor Prompt him without desired, Interrupt him not, nor Answer him till
152 his Speech be ended.
- 153 75th In the midst of Discourse ask not of what one treateth but if you Perceive any Stop because
154 of your coming you may well intreat him gently to Proceed: If a Person of Quality comes in
155 while your Conversing it's handsome to Repeat what was said before.
- 156 76th While you are talking, Point not with your Finger at him of Whom you Discourse nor
157 Approach too near him to whom you talk especially to his face.

- 158 77th Treat with men at fit Times about Business & Whisper not in the Company of Others.
- 159 78th Make no Comparisons and if any of the Company be Commended for any brave act of
160 Vertue, commend not another for the Same.
- 161 79th Be not apt to relate News if you know not the truth thereof. In Discoursing of things you
162 Have heard Name not your Author always A Secret Discover not.
- 163 80th Be not Tedious in Discourse or in reading unless you find the Company pleased therewith.
- 164 81st Be not Curious to Know the Affairs of Others neither approach those that Speak in Private.
- 165 82d undertake not what you cannot perform but be carefull to keep your promise.
- 166 83d when you deliver a matter do it without passion & with discretion, however mean the person
167 be you do it too.
- 168 84th When your Superiours talk to any Body hearken not neither Speak nor Laugh.
- 169 85th In Company of these of Higher Quality than yourself Speak not til you are ask'd a Question
170 then Stand upright put of your Hat & Answer in few words.
- 171 86th In Disputes, be not So Desireous to Overcome as not to give Liberty to each one to deliver
172 his Opinion and Submit to the Judgment of the Major Part especially if they are Judges of the
173 Dispute.
- 174 87th Let thy carriage be such as becomes a Man Grave Settled and attentive to that which is
175 spoken. Contradict not at every turn what others Say.
- 176 88th Be not tedious in Discourse, make not many Digressions, nor repeat often the Same manner
177 of Discourse.
- 178 89th Speak not Evil of the absent for it is unjust.

- 179 90th Being Set at meat Scratch not neither Spit Cough or blow your Nose except there's a
180 Necessity for it.
- 181 91st Make no Shew of taking great Delight in your Victuals, Feed not with Greediness; cut your
182 Bread with a Knife, lean not on the Table neither find fault with what you Eat.
- 183 92d Take no Salt or cut Bread with your Knife Greasy.
- 184 93d Entertaining any one at table it is decent to present him wt. meat, Undertake not to help
185 others undesired by the Master.
- 186 94th If you Soak bread in the Sauce let it be no more than what you put in your Mouth at a time
187 and blow not your broth at Table but Stay till Cools of it Self.
- 188 95th Put not your meat to your Mouth with your Knife in your hand neither Spit forth the Stones
189 of any fruit Pye upon a Dish nor Cast anything under the table.
- 190 96th It's unbecoming to Stoop much to ones Meat Keep your Fingers clean & when foul wipe
191 them on a Corner of your Table Napkin.
- 192 97th Put not another bit into your Mouth til the former be Swallowed let not your Morsels be too
193 big for the Gowls.
- 194 98th Drink not nor talk with your mouth full neither Gaze about you while you are a Drinking.
- 195 99th Drink not too leisurely nor yet too hastily. Before and after Drinking wipe your Lips breath
196 not then or Ever with too Great a Noise, for its uncivil.
- 197 100th Cleanse not your teeth with the Table Cloth Napkin Fork or Knife but if Others do it let it
198 be done wt. a Pick Tooth.
- 199 101st Rince not your Mouth in the Presence of Others.

- 200 102d It is out of use to call upon the Company often to Eat nor need you Drink to others every
201 Time you Drink.
- 202 103d In Company of your Betters be not longer in eating than they are lay not your Arm but only
203 your hand upon the table.
- 204 104th It belongs to the Chiefest in Company to unfold his Napkin and fall to Meat first, But he
205 ought then to Begin in time & to Dispatch with Dexterity that the Slowest may have time
206 allowed him.
- 207 105th Be not Angry at Table whatever happens & if you have reason to be so, Shew it not but on
208 a Cheerfull Countenance especially if there be Strangers for Good Humour makes one Dish of
209 Meat a Feast.
- 210 106th Set not yourself at the upper of the Table but if it Be your Due or that the Master of the
211 house will have it So, Contend not, least you Should Trouble the Company.
- 212 107th If others talk at Table be attentive but talk not with Meat in your Mouth.
- 213 108th When you Speak of God or his Atributes, let it be Seriously & wt. Reverence. Honour &
214 Obey your Natural Parents altho they be Poor.
- 215 109th Let your Recreations be Manfull not Sinfull.
- 216 110th Labour to keep alive in your Breast that Little Spark of Celestial fire Called Conscience.
- 217 Finis

