Serving Family Meals

Why are family meals important?

- They are a time when everyone can relax
- enjoy food
- talk with one another
- catch up on family & have fun!

What can happen when people read or watch television while they eat?

 They may pay little attention to what they are eating and how much they are EATING....

What is a place setting?

 The pieces of tableware used by one person to eat a meal.

What is a cover?

The arrangement of a place setting for one person.

How is flatware arranged in a cover?

In the order in which it is used, starting at the outside and working in toward the center.

Identify two advantages of plate service.

- Food remaining in pans can be kept warm
- Serving dishes do not have to be washed.

Where in the cover are rolls placed for formal meals? Less formal meals?

- Formal meals: On a bread-and-butter plate above the forks.
- Less Formal: on the edge of the dinner plate.

What is table etiquette?

 The courtesy shown by good manners at meals.

Name the 3 basic etiquette to use BEFORE eating:

- Place the napkin on your lap before you start eating.
- If there are six or fewer people at the table wait until everyone is served before you begin to eat.
- You may reach for serving dishes as long as you don't have to learn across your neighbor.

Name 5 basic etiquette tips WHILE eating:

- Don't talk with your mouth full.
- If you're having problems getting food onto your fork (like peas) push them on with a piece of bread.
- Break bread into smaller pieces before buttering them
- If you're dining at someone's home and aren't sure what to do, use your host's actions as a guide.
- Cut food into small pieces for eating.
- Sit up straight when you eat, don't lean on your elbows.
- If you must cough or sneeze cover your mouth

3 tips of basic etiquette AFTER eating.

- Never comb your hair or apply makeup while at the table.
- Don't leave a spoon in your cup. You might knock it over.
- When you have finished eating, place your fork and knife on your plate, pointing to the center.

In what way can good table manners be an asset in the working world?

 Many business transactions take place over meals; often, when companies consider an applicant for a job, the interview may include a meal.

How should you handle coughing or sneezing at the table?

 Cover you mouth and nose with a handkerchief or napkin; excuse yourself and leave the table if it continues.

What information should you include when making reservations?

- Your name
- The number of people in your group
- And the time you plan to arrive

What should you do if you find a mistake on the check for a meal?

Quietly point it out to the server.

What is a gratuity? What is another name for a gratuity?

 Extra money given to the server in appreciation for good service;

Tip

How much to tip

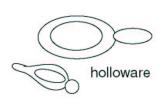
Average	15 %- more if service was exceptionally good.
Fancy restaurants	20 %
Coffee Shops	No less than 25 cents if just a beverage was ordered. If food is ordered, 15 % of the bill or at least 50 cents whichever is greater.
Buffet-type restaurant	10 % if a server filled water, brought beverages.
Fast-food	No tip required.

What should you do if you voice a complaint to your server about a meal, and nothing is done?

Speak to the manager.



Table Appointments









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