How To Be A Gentleman: A Timely Guide To Timeless Manners

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How to Be a Gentleman: A Timely Guide to Timeless Manners is the revised and updated edition of the smash-hit How to Be a Gentleman and offers practical advice on being a gentleman in the twenty-first century. Should you take your BlackBerry on vacation? What is the best way to accept a compliment? Is an e-mail an acceptable means of writing a Thank-You note? While the tenets of gracious behavior never change, the situations a gentleman faces do and have changed significantly in the last ten years. In this revised, updated, and expanded version of the bestselling How to Be a Gentleman, Bridges addresses new issues such as airport security, Bluetooth and BlackBerry usage, and appropriate internet and instant message communication. Still featured are topics ranging from how to receive a compliment to how to act at funerals. Certain to be the must-have guide for the modern gentleman, this revised edition will echo the success of its predecessor.

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Good manners are important. It is important to have class in life. As society continues to change, there still needs to be individuals that understand the role of the gentleman in life. I have never been one to have excelled in this area, but as I continue to age, I thought I better do some work on myself. I was not really sure what to read, so I looked on , and this book seemed pretty good, so I got it. And I liked it. It is a pretty easy read, nice and short, and to the point. It covers the majority of the events and situations you will face and life, and some that you might never, like meeting the
president. Overall the book will tell you how to attend a fancy dinner, cell phone usages or lack there of, how to dress, and there are a thousand different pieces of advice. There is advice on how to work a crowd, and it provides good opening lines. There is advice on topics that are rarely addressed like the process of introductions. Here is some wisdom. "A younger person is always introduced to an older person. For example, when Larry Lyons, who is in his twenties, is introduced to Mr. Allgood, who is in his fifties, a gentleman says, âœMr. Allgood, Iâ™d like you to meet Larry Lyons.â• Even if a younger woman is being introduced to any older man, a gentleman makes sure to say the older personâ™s name first." There is good advice on the use of the internet or email in social engagements. You never cancel online, but rather, you call because this is classy, and not being a coward. Here is the rule. Unless he has absolutely no other alternative, a gentleman never breaks a date by leaving a voice-mail message or via e-mail. Unless he must cancel because of a last-minute emergency, he considers such behavior the cowardâ™s way out.