

## George Washington's Rules of Civility and Decent Behavior

14. Turn not your back to others, especially in speaking; jog not the table or desk on which another reads or writes; lean not upon anyone. 15. Keep your nails clean and short, also your hands and teeth clean, yet without showing any great concern for them.

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16. Do not puff up the cheeks; loll not out the tongue rub the hands, or beard, thrust out the lips, or bite them, or keep the lips too open or close. 17. Be no flatterer; neither play with any that delight not to be played with.

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18. Read no letters, books, or papers in company, but when there is a necessity for the doing of it, you must ask leave. Come not near the books or writings of another so as to read them, or give your opinion of them unasked; also look not nigh when another is writing a letter.

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_ *Name* \_\_\_\_\_