

Ages and Stages of Manners

Toddler Years (ages 1-3) Your child can:

- Say please and thank you
- Follow basic instructions
- Learn simple conversation skills
- Learn to obey the first time
- Learn to take turns and share
- Develop responsible behavior
- Learn to respect things
- Use basic table manners
- Meet and greet others

Preschool Years (ages 3-5) Your child can:

- Meet and greet others
- Learn acceptable public behavior
- Improve table manners
- Develop friendship skills
- Answer the telephone properly
- Learn party manners

Childhood Years (ages 6-12) Your child can:

- Improve and refine table manners
- Learn good sportsmanship
- Develop friendship and social skills
- Make and receive calls
- Write thank you notes
- Set the table
- Learn to make introductions

Teenage Years (ages 13-18) Your child can:

- Treat the opposite sex with respect
- Speak respectfully and confidently with adults
- Master fine-dining skills
- Practice good sportsmanship
- Be conscientious in personal responsibilities