



Prom/Formal Etiquette

You are spending a great deal of time and energy preparing to attend the Prom, Formal, or some other special occasion. To help reduce the stress of the event, learn the social skills that accompany a formal social occasion, from the moment the date is set until the last good night.

Learning the rules will help you relax and experience a more enjoyable evening. You won't have to worry about what to do—you will be the one who knows! The most common mistakes are made by those who are unaccustomed to attending formals or special occasions because they are not schooled in the expected standard of behavior. Learn the etiquette of formal events so your evening will be magical and memorable.

Topics that will be discussed for Prom are:

- ❖ **Making the date**
- ❖ **Formalwear know how**
- ❖ **Punctuality**
- ❖ **Flowers**
- ❖ **Meeting the parents**
- ❖ **Photo ops**
- ❖ **Transportation**
- ❖ **Opening the doors**
- ❖ **What to order for dinner**
- ❖ **The art of the table**
- ❖ **The wait staff**
- ❖ **Tipping**
- ❖ **Shall we dance?**
- ❖ **Be home on time**
- ❖ **Thank you**
- ❖ **Expectations of your organization**

Topics that will be discussed for Formals include the above, plus:

- ❖ **Traveling arrangements**
- ❖ **Dressing for the occasion**
- ❖ **Proper behavior on public transportation**
- ❖ **Drinking alcohol**
- ❖ **Smoking**
- ❖ **Maintaining dignity**
- ❖ **How to work the room**
- ❖ **Meet and greet**

Attend Formal Events Without Fear.