

How to Get Along

Everyone is always looking – or ought to be – for ways to get along with people. How we interact with others dictates, to a large degree, our success (however that word may be defined) in life.

Here are five simple suggestions to improve your human relations:

1. Never miss a chance to say a kind or encouraging word to or about somebody. Praise good work, no matter who does it.
2. When you make a promise, honor it. Just don't make too many.
3. Hold your tongue. Always say less than you think. Speak softly and persuasively. *How* you say something often means more than *what* you say.
4. Express an interest in others – in their pursuits, their work and their families. Have fun with those who rejoice. Offer consolation to those who mourn a loss. Let everyone you meet feel that you regard him or her as an important individual.
5. Be cheerful. Don't depress others by complaining about your small problems and disappointments. Remember, everyone has some burden to carry.

– Beecher Hunter