

old-fashioned is always in fashion – fyp



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There are certain attitudes and mindsets that might be considered to be old-fashioned but they never go out of style. Respect for our fellow man/woman is a timeless technique for building connections that last and partnerships that leave a positive impact.

Fashion has to do with style, customs and methods of being or presenting oneself. Some may say that to be old-fashioned is to be antiquated or out-of-date but old-fashioned can provide a heritage of values that help us to be a kinder generation. To be old-fashioned is to be traditional in one's approach.

While greetings have changed over time, an old-fashion habit that never goes out of style is a proper greeting. With the bombardment of devices that bade for our attention, allowing us to ignore the reality of what is happening around us, a proper greeting has lost its influence. Little else can make a passerby feel as significant as a proper greeting with direct eye-contact that acknowledges their presence.

Another timeless practice is that of manners. Manners are a sign of respect to another human being that makes another person feel good about themselves and leaves others with a good impression. Good manners are acts of kindness that prevent self-centered behaviors and promote the goodness of mankind.

Interesting conversation that is centered around true curiosity about the other person is another enduring practice that encourages kindness and never goes out of style. People who constantly talk about themselves repel others and lose the opportunity to learn something new, create a connection or make a difference in someone else's life.

In decorating, dress and design, vintage is the new hip way of being – to take something that was once considered to be old and out-dated and to make it fashionable again. Let's make some old-fashioned practices hip again by looking people in the eye with a proper greeting, use our manners as an effort of kindness and create an interesting conversation that focuses on the interest of others!