### Grammar 2: Usage Assignment 10

 This is our last chapter on pronouns! Complete Chapter 10 except the test. Start studying for the Unit Test, which we will have in one week!

# Study for Unit Test 1

- Take the chapter Test 9.
  - You do not have to email it to me; we will go over it in class.
- Study for the Unit Test.
- Gather more pearls of wisdom from Gentleman Wombley's teacher, Censor—this time as it relates to your manners at the table (opposite page).

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### At Table.\*

DON'T, as an invited guest, be late for dinner. This is a wrong to your host, to other guests, and to the dinner.

Don't be late at the domestic table, as this is a wrong to your family, and is not calculated to promote harmony and good feeling.

\* The greater number of these directions apply to all occasions and to all persons, but some have reference to special times, others to guests only or to hosts only.

#### 10 At Table.

Don't seat yourself until the ladies are seated, or, at a dinner-party, until your host or hostess gives the signal. Don't introduce, if you introduce at all, after the company is seated.

DON'T sit a foot away from the table, or sit jammed up against it.

Don't tuck your napkin under your chin, or spread it upon your breast. Bibs and tuckers are for the nursery. Don't spread your napkin over your lap; let it fall over your knee.

Don't serve gentlemen guests at your table before *all* the ladies are served, including those who are members of your own household.

Don't eat soup from the end of the spoon, but from the side. Don't gurgle, or draw in your breath, or make other noises when eating soup. Don't ask for a second service of soup.

Don't bend over your plate, or drop your head to get each mouthful. Keep an upright attitude as nearly as you can without being stiff.

Don't break your bread into your soup.

Don't eat with your knife. Never put your knife into your mouth.\* Don't load up the fork with food

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with your knife, and then cart it, as it were, to your mouth. Take up on the fork what it can easily carry, and no more.

DON'T use a steel knife with fish. A silver knife is now placed by the side of each plate for the fish course.

Don't handle fork or knife awkwardly. Let the handles of both knife and fork rest in the palm of the hand. How to handle knife and fork well can be acquired only by observation and practice. Don't stab with the fork, or handle it as if it were a dagger.

DON'T eat fast, or gorge. Take always plenty of time. Haste is vulgar.

DON'T take huge mouthfuls, or fill your mouth with too much food;

<sup>\*</sup> This advice has been declared unnecessary for people of any degree of social culture, but the fact is that while eating with the knife is much less common than formerly, instances of it may still be witnessed.