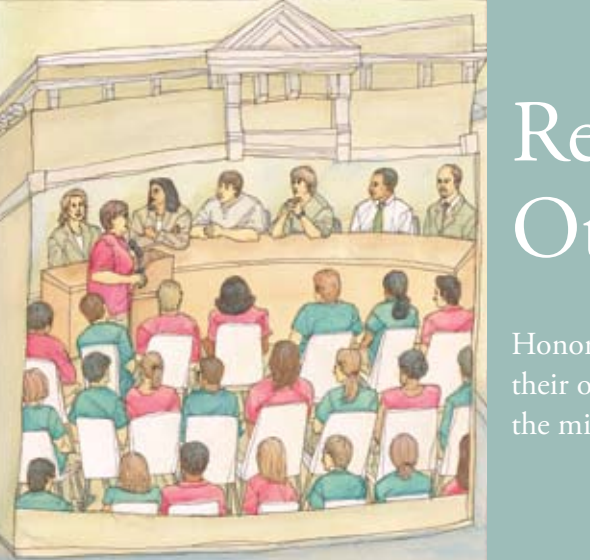


Ten Keys To Civility

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Respect Others

Honor other people and their opinions, especially in the midst of a disagreement.



Think Positively

Keep an open mind and assume others have good intentions.



Pay Attention

Be aware and attend to the world and people around you.



Make A Difference

Get Involved.

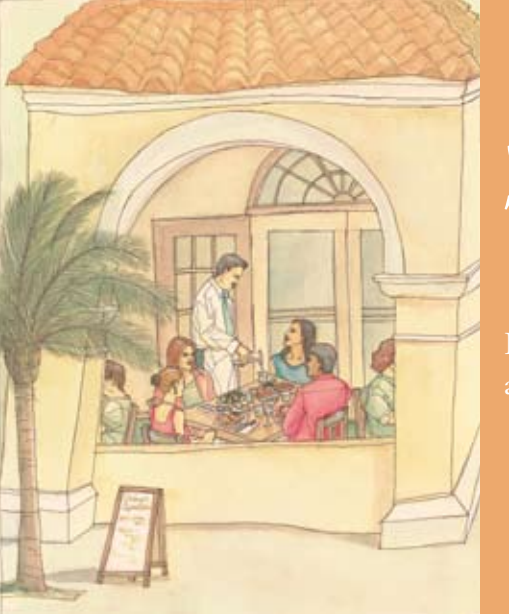


Speak Kindly

Choose not to spread or listen to gossip.



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Say Thank You

Let others know they
are appreciated.



Accept Others

Our differences are what
make us interesting.



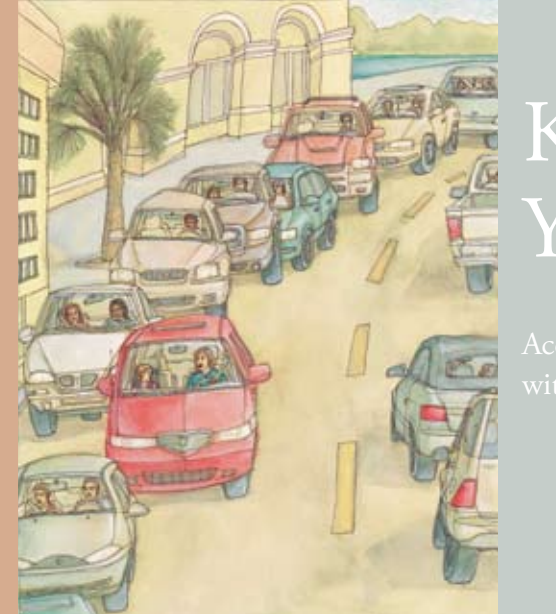
Rediscover Silence

Keep noise to a minimum.



Listen

Focus on others in order
to better understand their
points of view.



Keep Your Cool

Accept life's challenges
with grace.

