

## Disability Etiquette Handout

### Test Your Knowledge

1. Where do you think the word “handicapped” comes from?
  - a. Golf, where poorer players are given an advantage to compete
  - b. Horseracing, where faster horses had to wear heavy weights to equalize competition
  - c. **Beggars, who held their caps in their hands**
  - d. People with serious seizure conditions that are required to wear helmets, “handy caps” to prevent head injury from falls
  
2. When speaking to a person who is blind, is it rude to use a visual reference?
  - a. Yes
  - b. **No**
  
3. When listening to a person who has speech that is difficult to understand, what does the average person do?
  - a. Say they don’t understand
  - b. Pretend to understand
  - c. Make an excuse to end the conversation
  - d. **b and/or c**
  
4. The term “the disabled” and “person with a disability” are roughly equivalent?
  - a. True
  - b. **False**
  
5. It is permissible to interact with a guide dog when:
  - a. The owner gives you permission
  - b. The dog looks hungry
  - c. **The dog is not wearing a harness**
  - d. You don’t disturb the owner of the dog
  
6. When a person who is deaf or hard of hearing asks to have a statement repeated, people typically:
  - a. Rephrase the statement
  - b. Repeat the statement more slowly
  - c. Repeat the statement in a louder voice
  - d. **Repeat the statement more slowly and in a louder voice**
  
7. When meeting a person who is missing a hand or uses an artificial right hand, it is proper etiquette to:
  - a. Wait for the person to offer to shake your hand
  - b. Offer your left hand
  - c. **Offer your right hand as you would to anyone**
  - d. Tell them you have a cold and you saw on 60 minutes that handshaking passes the virus

8. A person with a learning disability generally has below average intelligence?
- True
  - False**
9. Which of the following is the proper way to describe a person who depends on a wheelchair to get around?
- Wheelchair bound
  - Confined to a wheelchair
  - A wheelchair user**
  - Hey dude!
10. If a person with a mobility impairment is struggling to push their wheelchair, the proper etiquette would be:
- Start pushing them
  - Ignore them
  - Ask someone else to help them
  - Offer them assistance and wait for their response**
11. If an interpreter accompanies a person who is deaf or hard of hearing to a meeting, the proper etiquette would be to:
- Speak to the interpreter so you can be sure they understand what you are saying
  - Talk to the person who is deaf or hard of hearing**
  - Try to make up signs to get your point across
  - Speak as loudly as possible
12. When describing an individual who is on the autism spectrum, which is the proper term?
- Neurodivergent**
  - Neurodiverse
  - Neurotypical
  - An autistic person
13. Which of the following is an example of Identity-first language?
- A person with a disability
  - A disabled person**
  - Using a person's first name
  - "Bro"
14. When interacting with a person who has an intellectual disability:
- Speak as you normally would but use simple terms**
  - Speak to them as you would a child
  - Use big words so that they know how smart you are
  - Talk to their caregiver
15. If you are unsure about what type of accommodation should be provided, what should you do? **Ask the person what they need in order to participate or engage**