



tú huà yóu guó jì wǎng lù qǔ dé picture obtained through the Internet
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zhōngguó wénhuàzhuàntǒng lǐ yǒu yī jù hěnzhòngyào de sù yǔ jiào zuò "lǐ duō rén bù guài" 。 lǐ mào shì hěnzhòngyào de zhǐ yào shì chéng yì de bié rén dōu bù huì guài nǐ xiāng fǎn de rén jiā kuài rèn wéi nǐ hěn tǐ liàng bié rén 。
中國文化傳統裏有一句很重要的俗語叫做“禮多人不怪”。禮貌是很重要的，只要是誠意的，別人都不會怪你。相反的，人家會認為你很體諒別人。

Mom, please have a seat

Among Chinese cultural traditions there is an important saying -- among others, “Overdoing good manners will not make you weird”. Good manners are very important; as long as they are shown with sincerity, nobody will blame you. On the contrary, people will consider you a thoughtful person.

[In the picture, you see a woman invite a senior woman to sit down. Even that person is not your mom, you can still call her “Mom”.]

[In Taipei, you will have a lot of opportunities to take a bus. This situation will certainly happen to you if you go there.]

[Beginning right now use your imaginations to utilize what you have learned – with modesty -- yet another pillar of the Chinese cultural traditions.]

zhǎng guān zhǎng bèi
[長官 (a superior where you work) , 長輩 (a person belonging to a senior generation than you, an elder) , péng yǒu tóng shì lǎo bǎn
朋友 (a friend) , 同事 (a colleague where you work) , 老闆 (a boss) , xiān shēng nǚ shì xiǎo jiě zhǎng guān men zhǎng bèi
先生 (Mr.) , 女士 (Mrs.) , 小姐 (Miss.) , 長官們 (pl.) , 長輩們 (pl.) , péng yǒu men tóng shì men
朋友們 (pl.) , 同事們 (pl.)]