

As daylight can be seen through very small holes, so little things will illustrate a person's character. Indeed character consists in little acts well and honourably performed; daily life being the quarry from which we build it up. One of the most marked tests of character is the manner in which we conduct ourselves towards others. A graceful behaviour towards superiors, inferiors and equals is a constant source of pleasure. It pleases others because it indicates respect for their personality, but it gives tenfold more pleasure to ourselves. Every man may, to a large extent, be a self-educator in good behaviour as in everything else; he can be civil and kind if he will, though he has not a penny in his purse. Gentleness in society is like the silent influence of light which gives colour to all nature; it is far more powerful than loudness of force and far more fruitful.

### Precis

A person's character is known through his actions. Character tests, in manner in which one conducts towards others. A graceful behaviour pleases one's own self as well as others. Man may be a self-educator in patience. Because, gentleness in society is like a ray of light which gives colour to the whole creation.

Title: Graceful behaviour in Society