

EXERCISE 5

If by some magic you could be granted one quick wish, perhaps you might wish to be popular. Being popular means being liked by a lot of people instead of just a few close friends and that is a big wish. All the same you, too, can be well liked if you are willing to be on guard against the perils of popularity.

Let us consider some of these. You cannot be polite and friendly to some and not to others without the word getting around as to what kind of person you really are. When you are considering other people take time, to be friendly with the folks older than you are—your neighbours, teachers, parents and other relatives. If you treat them with respect, they are going to think of you as a likeable person, not as a good for nothing boy. And do not forget to be kind to the little kids too. Again you must think of others and consider their wishes. A majority wins, you know, and if you are out-voted in the discussion of what to do and where to go, remember that being a good sport is another way to help your popularity. A good lover does not complain when the plans do not go his way. At the same time do not be afraid that you are risking your popularity to stand up for what you think is right. It takes courage to say so, and is appreciated. (260 words)

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popularity Needs Helpfulness and Courage

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Every one wishes to be popular, and liked by many a people. For that one should be kind and respectful to people of any age. If one treats the people in a respectable manner people gather around one. It is time taking, and requires courage to stand for the right cause. Thereby, one should not be afraid of any outcomes, but one should be steadfast to the cause of helping the people without complaining about one's own life.

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