



# Pass The Topics: The Subject Matter of First Impressions

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POSITIVE TOPIC BEHAVIORS

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<i>If You Do This:</i>	<i>You May Seem:</i>	<i>Do I Do This?</i>		
		Usually	Sometimes	Rarely
Open with a topic about the immediate surroundings and ease into discussions about ideas	Safe, socially skilled			
Generate a variety of topics	Interesting, stimulating, knowledgeable			
Show interest in topics you know little about	Confident, open, curious			
Check for others' interest in your topics	Flexible, other-oriented, socially aware			
Talk about easy topics, such as current events and observations about everyday life	Nonthreatening, engaging			