

HOW TO SOUND INTELLECTUAL

Tired of being considered shallow and immature in front of your intellectual friends? Embarrassed when they are discussing something intellectual and you go off coughing, going to the toilet, or changing the topic uncomfortably when something serious is being discussed? Need I say more to stress on the importance of seeming intelligent and knowledgeable?

Below are handy tips that you can use to seem intelligent and mature. Care must be taken to avoid overuse, as it might backfire badly, and you might end up looking like a clown. So exercise restraint, and carefully adopt the given specifications one at a time.

YOU CANNOT SOUND INTELLECTUAL IF YOU DON'T LOOK INTELLECTUAL

Get Thick Rimmed Glasses: Thick rimmed glasses might seem odd to look at on your face in the beginning. But a thick rimmed glass goes a long way in establishing that you are an intellectual. Care must be taken to get one without any bling. If Armani is written on it, it is a lost cause.

Act Like You Don't Care About Your Attire: Intellectuals do not have time to bother about things like fashion, clothes and accessories. So make sure you carefully master the art of dressing carelessly.

Don't Shave: Even if it doesn't suit you, grow a beard. Avoid temptation to trim it with an electronic trimmer.

SPEAKING LIKE AN INTELLECTUAL

Now comes the tough part sounding and conversing like an intellectual. This requires diligence and practice, but you can master the art eventually by following these tips...

-Say 'Depends': Whenever you are asked a question, and you don't know what to say, just shrug and say, "Well, that depends on a lot of factors" Saying 'Depends' shows that you are willing to consider a lot of aspects. However, you should be careful not to list out what those factors are. Intellectual people do not disclose their intellect till they are pressurised to. So just say 'Depends' and look away.

-Use a lot of 'ism': Almost every word can be made into an 'ism'. For example: "Hey, that's such a statist remark!" or "How can you be a realist when this is such a racist environment?" Every 'ism' can be made into an 'ism'. Also, if someone apologises, he is an apologist, if he works on a machine, call him a machinist, if he believes in fate, he is a fatalist, and if he roams about naked, he is a naturist.

-Use the PESC Formula: If you are running out of new angles to give to a discussion, follow the simple PESC formula. The PESC formula says that any discussion can be analysed by talking about the Political, Economic, Social, and Cultural impact on the people. And this works better if you fuse two terms socio-cultural, politico-economical, socio-economic, and eco-cultural.

-Smile: When you don't know how to counter the stance of the person in front of you, just smile. It drives them mad. While the other person is frantically explaining his stance, just look at him, smile, and shake your head from one side to the other. This shows that you know what the person is going to say and are smiling at his ignorance.

-The Intellectual Emergency Exit: If nothing else works out, use the Fire Escape. Wait for the person to make a point. Pause. Take a deep breath, and say, "Well, if that's the way you are looking at things, there isn't any point in talking, is there?" Then stand up, dust your hands, and walk off.

Don't turn back, for the people are still staring at you with their mouths open, aghast at your biting intellect. Find another group, and use the same techniques all over again.

Remember, intellectuals don't do it different. They do the same just differently...