

ETIQUETTE BRITISH OR FRENCH ?

The train was quite crowded and a U.S. marine walked the entire length of the train looking for a place to sit, but the only seat left was occupied by a well dressed middle-aged French woman's poodle.

The war-weary Marine asked, 'Ma'am, may I have that seat?'

The French woman just sniffed and said to no one in particular, 'Americans are so rude. My little Fifi is using that seat.'

The Marine walked the entire train again, but the only seat left was under that dog.

'Please, ma'am. May I sit down? I'm very tired

She snorted, 'Not only are you Americans rude, you are also arrogant!'

This time the Marine didn't say a word, he just picked up the little dog, tossed it out the train window, and sat down.

The woman shrieked, 'Someone must defend my honour! 'This American should be put in his place!'

An English gentleman sitting nearby spoke up:

'Sir, you Americans seem to have a penchant for doing the wrong thing.

'You hold your fork in the wrong hand, and you drive your cars on the wrong side of the road.

'And now, sir, you seem to have thrown the wrong bitch out the window.'