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Throwing shoes and blowing noses

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A few other tips when globetrotting:

- "Don't pull your hand away if an Arab businessman walking with you takes your hand and holds it as you go. It's a sign of friendship," assistant producer Mohammad Al-Kassim, a Palestinian from Jerusalem, advises.
- In Asia, "When taking stuff from others, use both of your hands. And when sitting, sit still. Don't shake your feet or rest your feet on the chair," says assistant producer Hsin-Yin Lee, who is from Taiwan.
- When eating in Europe, remember that "it's very rude to put a piece of bread on your plate. Leave it on the table beside the plate. Also remember to break the bread with your hands and not with a knife," notes production assistant Illaria Mignatti, who is from Milan.
- In Russia, it's taboo to give an even number of flowers, warns researcher Christine Kiernan. "Always buy odd numbers. Bunches of even-numbered flowers are for funerals."
- Mind your words, author and foreign language expert Mark Frobose warns, because they often don't mean what you think. "In Spanish, 'embarazada' does not mean 'embarrassed,' it means 'pregnant.'" he explains. "And 'constipado' means 'stuffy nose.'"

"Worldfocus" not only want you to stay up to date on current affairs, they want you to be mindful of your travel manners.

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