

How to Get Along with your Roommate

When starting out at College you may find that meeting new people can be both hard and fun, but even if you do make friends with somebody you have to realize that if you are sharing a dorm with somebody you will have to be tolerant of them. This article will provide you with a few tips that should help you out when sharing a dorm with somebody else. It can be a pleasant experience but it is important for you to read these tips so that you are prepared if you ever do run into any of the scenarios that are discussed here.

When in your dorm you may find that sometimes there will be territorial collisions. For example there may be fights over using the shower or the toilet. This can extend as far as arguments over fridge space. If you get along with the person fairly well then you should talk to them and work out a plan. Arrange a time for when you both should use the bathroom for washing, of course when using the toilet it can be a problem. But if it does happen, find another solution. This can apply for all things. Explain to your roommate that you both have to be tolerant of each other and it is important so that you both don't have any fallings out. Just talk to your roommate, they are likely to be a nice enough person, so they should respect your wishes.

One problem you may face is when your roommate has his/her own friends over. This can be a problem as you may feel intimidated or even an invasion of your privacy. One thing you can do is try to join in on the activity and have fun with them and if you still disagree about the whole situation afterwards, just talk to them after their friends have gone. If you are trying to study, listen to some music to block outside noise, and if that still does not work, go to the library or somewhere peaceful to regain your concentration. But if it is bothering you it is important that you speak out and let your roommate know of your problems. Hopefully by doing this you will be able to resolve any issues you may have.

If your roommate is continuously disrespectful towards you whilst you spend your time there, it is important that you take action. Many people believe that they can get away with anything in College since they are no longer around their parents. When you're sharing rooms with somebody it is important that you both respect each others privacy, so if you ever encounter any major problems with your roommate, just speak to the people in charge of dorms or the RA and you should be able to move in with a different roommate. Don't be afraid to ask, it happens to many people, and if the situation becomes uncomfortable it is important that you move on.

But overall you do need to get along with your roommate. It is important to talk to your roommate as much as possible, even become friends with them. This only makes it better as you are both on the same side of the coin and you should hopefully have less squabbles when sharing your room. Get to know your roommate, socialize with them and if you do have an argument, point out how silly it is and hopefully things will be resolved. Getting along with your roommate is easy, as long as you make it easy.