

Dinner for Eight

1. Four couples went out for dinner. Shawn A. Evans and Nina B. Eaton arrived first, and sat in opposite corners of the table. Naomi C. Edwards and Nicholas D. White were the second couple to show up, soon followed by Samuel E. White and Nathan F. Edison.
2. The final couple, Neil G. Walker and Stephanie H. Wright, arrived half an hour late, so they made their order of nachos, bruschetta, cheese fondue and very Mediterranean falafel separately. Thus every item on the menu was ordered.
3. Nobody ordered an appetizer and an entrée containing meat from the same animal. All of the appetizers on one side of the table contained cheese. All of the entrées on the other side of the table contained C's.
4. Following the first couple's example, nobody sat next to, or directly across the table from, their partner.
5. For both the appetizers and the entrées, the three women (who each sat in a corner of the table) were always served before the men. However, this was not due to old-fashioned etiquette, but rather due to the restaurant's policy of serving items in reverse alphabetical order.
6. Samuel kept stealing mashed potatoes from his brother Nicholas, who was sitting on Samuel's left.
7. The gigantoburger collapsed directly across the table when it had only been 2.3% eaten, burying the spicy lamb curry.
8. Due to their highly reactive nature, the mozzarella sticks were not allowed to be served next to any item containing chlorates, peroxides or broccoli.

