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The young are ruder than ever

Young people really are getting ruder, according to a new report.

Today's 18 to 34-year-olds are less likely to say hello to neighbours or open the door for the elderly than those aged over 55.

Research showed the age group was 23 per cent less likely to carry out common courtesies than over-55s.

Neighbours were ignored by nearly 35 per cent of the group compared with only 15 per cent of over-55s.

Youngsters were also 18 per cent less likely to open a door for a woman and 17 per cent less willing to give up their seat on public transport for a pregnant woman.

While 83 per cent of the over-55s surveyed said they would always give builders working in their homes a cup of tea, only half of the younger generation would do the same, according to the YouGov survey of 1,000 adults for *RatedPeople.com*