INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL GROOMING

For us to gain good understanding of the term, 'Social Grooming', we ought to understand the meanings of the words that make up the phrase. First, *social* means or relates to society. It also means relating to or interactions with people. In my own words, I say social refers to human attitude and behaviour toward other humans. For example, being social or sociable, means easily getting along with people.

Grooming means taking care of one's physical body. It also refers to a disciplined and respectful conduct which is associated to one's upbringing.

As such, we can say that *Social Grooming* is the disciplined, respectful and moral conduct a person acts towards other people. A child who does his responsibilities at home is termed as properly groomed.

Note. The subject that studies *social grooming* in Nigeria is *Social Studies*.

Topics in Social Grooming

- The Human soul and mind
- Observation and non-physical development
- Decision making
- Relating to peoples
- Relating to parents
- Relating to government
- Getting married
- Raising children
- Greeting people
- Relating to one's relatives
- Relating to one's neighbours
- Relating to the opposite sex
- Making friends