

If I drop a fork while dining in a restaurant, is it ok to just pick it up?

It depends on the restaurant you are dining in! If it is a formal restaurant then let the waiter do it for you. If it is an informal place and you can easily reach the fork without having to raise yourself off the seat of your chair then pick it up and place it away from the rest of the setting. Ask the waiter for a clean one. If it is unreachable, inform the waiter and ask him for a replacement.