Like Fingernails on a Chalkboard... Dealing with Difficult Employees

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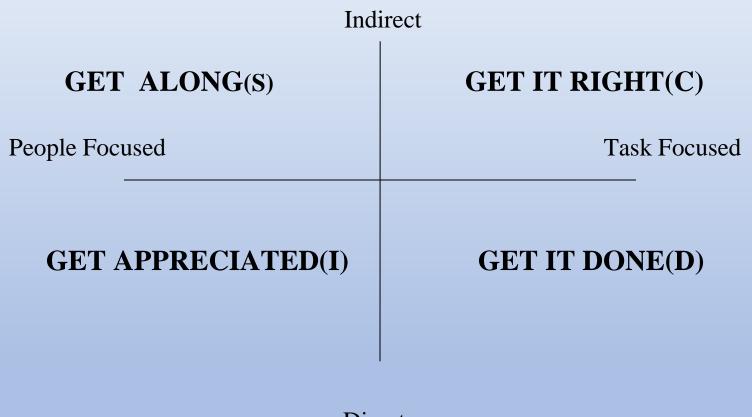


THIS USER MAY USE SARCASM AND CYNICISM IN A WAY YOU ARE NOT ACCUSTOMED TO. YOU MIGHT SUFFER SEVERE MENTAL DAMAGE I don't think of you as a coworker because you never do any work.





What Would Your Warning Label Say?



Direct

GET ALONG Problem- YES PERSON

SOLUTION-1.Let them be honest 2.Ask for their commitment 3.Strengthen the relationship



GET IT RIGHT Problem- COMPLAINER

- SOLUTION-
- 1.Listen
- 2. Focus on solutions
- 3.Draw the line



GET IT DONE Problem- EXPLODER

SOLUTION-1.Hold your ground 2.Interrupt the attack 3.Get to the bottom line



DEALING WITH ANGRY PEOPLE

- 1.STOP
- 2.LOOK
- **3.LISTEN**
- 4. Apologize & empathize
- 5.Ask questions
- 6.Restate the problem
- 7. Develop solutions
- 8.Learn from the situation



GET APPRECIATED Problem- DISRUPTER

SOLUTION-

- 1.Acknowledge their intent to contribute
- 2.Get back on track
- 3.Compliment good behavior

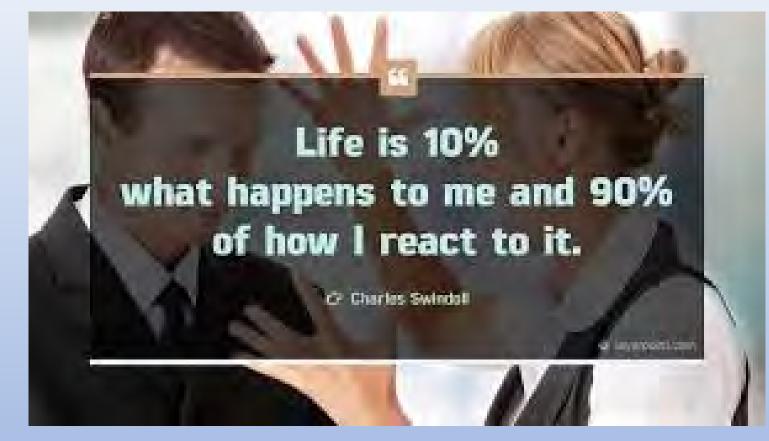


SPEAK THEIR LANGUAGE





 "We have no friends, we have no enemies.
We have only teachers. We are ALL teachers. It's not a matter of IF you will teach but WHAT."





The STRESS of dealing with: People who Don't Come with Warning Labels

List 5 things causing you stress (include some work)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

5.

Write down how stressed you are this week: 1-5 (low to medium stress) circle PURPLE 6-10 (medium to high stress) circle PINK

Next put in front of each number one letter: O (orange) Things you have NO control over (weather, economy) Diversion

Y (yellow) Things you have SOME control over (conflict with someone) **Direct** Action

G (green) Things you have COMPLETE control over (clutter, eating, busy) Do to Completion

What is something you can do to change the stress?

3 traits for each category:

• Strengths:

Weaknesses:

• What works:

What doesn't work:



- 1.10% of your life is what actually happens, 90% is how you perceive and react to what happens.
- 2. Think of people as different, not difficult.
- 3. You can't change them, you can only change the way YOU deal with them

Thank you!

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