

10 ways to drive your team nuts

Lose your co-workers' goodwill—and their respect—with these simple steps.

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Release your inner tyrant.

You're the boss, applesauce. Whether it's answering the phone or taking a radiograph, nobody does it better. So tell them how it's done.

Ramp up your rude attitude.

You're sure to lose friends if you barge through life without saying please, thank you, excuse me, or you're welcome.

Flip out.

And do it loud, often, and publicly. The more you scream and throw things, the less your pesky co-workers will hang around you.

One-up 'em.

Anything your team members can do, you can do better. You're smarter, faster, prettier, and doggone it, people like you—sort of.

Do nothing.

Fluffy barfed. You don't do vomit. The phone rings off the hook. So what? The fastest way to burn bridges is also the easiest—don't lift a finger.

Rules, schmules.

You're a princess-in-training. Clearly those rules don't apply to you. So who missed the memo?

Play the blame game.

If you forgot to return Mrs. Smith's call about her dachshund's diarrhea, someone clearly didn't pass you the message.

Go ahead, over-share.

You know you want to. That message board on the sign in front of your practice should give you the perfect place to air all the dirty details.

Dish the dirt.

Everyone loves a good story, especially if someone else plays a starring role. You have a little gem about everyone—and you're dying to share.

Arrive late, and leave early.

The schedule is more of a guideline, really, and what's the big deal? The chairs in the reception room are there for a reason—let clients wait.

