12 Passive-Aggressive Phrases That Can Destroy Your Business

Maybe you think you’re being polite, but everybody else thinks you’re being a jerk.

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I’ve been told that I’m a bit passive-aggressive. I didn’t really get it until I started evaluating some of the simple-yet-destructive words I was saying. If you’ve encountered an act of passive-aggression then you already know that it’s never the best way to resolve a conflict. And, if you’re like me and been dishing it out, you also know that it’s never the best way to resolve conflicts.

Passive-aggressive behavior is frustrating for both parties involved. It’s unproductive and it makes you and others become less trusted in the workplace. After allowing my behavior to destroy a few relationships (that I didn’t even realize was happening) I decided to figure out what I was doing and fix it immediately.

Here’s 12 common passive-aggressive phrases and the true meaning behind them, so that next time you encounter them, you’ll know how to proceed a little better and in a more productive manner.

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