

7 Phrases that Great Leader Never Say



If you listen to folks who can't seem to push ahead in their career or who have never started a company or led large groups of people, they all seem to mimic the same speech patterns. They talk the same language. Whether you like it or not, the words you use can seriously affect your ability to achieve success. And that's especially true for leaders.

There are certain phrases great leader would never say, here are 7 of them:

1. "That's impossible"

The most unsuccessful people are always pointing out what is not possible. "Oh, we can't make an app like that because it will compete too much with Tumblr" or "That new Bluetooth speaker won't generate any sales because there are too many on the market already." They live in a world of impossibilities; they have a can't-do attitude. And they are sinking the ship of success.

2. "That's not my fault."

The best leaders take responsibility for their actions. They don't blame, make excuses, or throw others under the bus. When no one likes to feel blame, a great leader absorbs the hit, demonstrates accountability, and brings the team toward a solution. Instead of blaming other departments you should find the solution that what to do next to solve the problem.

3. "I can do it all myself"

Leadership is not a solo act. This attitude of individualistic having the habit of "do it yourself" may be good for home improvement but not leadership improvement. When you hear someone on your team or a colleague insisting how she can finish a project or how he can complete the work better without any help from other employees. He or she will not create an atmosphere of success but has only his or her ambition in mind. Ironically enough, unsuccessful people are always those who push their own agenda and don't see the value of teamwork. The higher you rise up the corporate ladder, the less you do personally as an individual contributor, the more you do through and for others.

4. "I have a problem with that"

During meeting, someone who always stand up and start venting about some highly specific pet peeve in front of the people, he or she should have started wearing a sign that said "unsuccessful" to the meeting. Never over focused on a problem to bring the whole team down.

5. "I like my own idea"

People at work sometimes like only their own ideas. they shows selfishness and an inability to embrace the team objective. It also create disaster. Those who like and promote only their own ideas are severely limited, because we can not achieve success with only our own ideas. Imagine trying to build a company by never entertaining any other ideas. Collaboration always brings a company forward.

6. "I already know that"

Avoid dismissing or discounting others. Even if you do know, remain teachable. When you welcome and value your employees' intelligence and contributions, you make them look good and feel smart. This phrase is a pure defensiveness--it means a grumbler in your company has stopped trying to learn and grow and has become more interested in being perceived as all knowing. One is a sign of being helpful to a project, and the other is a sign of pure self-ambition.

7. "I'm the boss."

Declaring your title implies an attitude that says, "No questions. No arguments. We'll do things my way." Great leaders are followed and admired, whereas dictators are feared. Of course you're the boss, but no need to say it. Instead, use your power to empower others.