70+1 Habits that will make you a trustworthy LEADER

Competence

- 1. Be good at what you do
- 2. Know what your people are doing
- 3. Have experience "in the trenches"
- 4. Do what you say
- 5. What happened one inch outside the frame never happened
- 6. Watch your social media footprint
- 7. Expose your team to external challenges
- 8. Shield your team from internal challenges
- 9. Get resources
- 10. Get top level recognition
- 11. Give autonomy
- 12. "Her confidence"

Shared Values

- 13. Recognize success
- 14. Accept, but don't celebrate failure
- 15. Identify the common enemy
- 16. Tell the truth
- 17. Be an open book
- 18. Explain why
- 19. Be predictable
- 20. Don't expect—ask!
- 21. What do we have in common?
- 22. Know what you don't have in common
- 23. Don't assume, ask!
- 24. Don't badmouth others
- 25. Avoid BCC
- 26. Say "I can't tell you"

Fairness / Symmetry

- 27. Incentives, when?
- 28. Give team rewards
- 29. Provide fair compensation
- 30. Don't use authority
- 31. Get a similar office or cubicle
- 32. Put as much effort
- 33. Set and stick to ground rules
- 34. Start with trust
- 35. Ask for help
- 36. Don't ask of others what you don't demand of yourself

Time

- 37. Be on time
- 38. Be available
- 39. Respect other people's time
- 40. Follow up
- 41. Spend time with each employee
- 42. First impression

Intimacy

- 43. Get your butt out of your office
- 44. Body language of email
- 45. Own your side of communications
- 46. Be vulnerable
- 47. Don't abuse the employee's vulnerability
- 48. Respect employee's boundaries
- 49. Perform teambuilding
- 50. Civilian Life
- 51. Don't be politically correct, but don't be a jackass, either
- 52. Say what you mean, mean what you say
- 53. Watch your tone and body language
- 54. Watch your employee's tone and body language
- 55. Hold "hot seat" sessions
- 56. Admit to your flaws (but don't accept them)

Positivity

- 57. Be a cheerleader
- 58. Bottom line first or last?
- 59. Say "I don't know"
- 60. Say "I was wrong"
- 61. Use empathy
- 62. Listen with intent
- 63. Take a break, give opportunity for questions
- 64. Give direct and honest feedback
- 65. Ask for feedback and be receptive to it
- 66. Reduce your own sensitivity—don't get defensive
- 67. Be humble
- 68. Love what you do
- 69. Bad is 3 times stronger than good
- 70. Humor and sarcasm, appropriate?

+1 Know when to give up



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