Twelve Ways to Win People to Your Way of Thinking



- 1. The only way to get the best of an argument is to avoid it.
- 2. Show respect for the other person's opinion. Never tell them they are wrong.
- 3. If you are wrong, admit it quickly and emphatically.
- 4. Begin in a friendly way.
- 5. Get the other person saying "yes, yes" immediately.
- 6. Let the other person do a great deal of the talking.
- 7. Let the other person feel that the idea is his/hers.
- 8. Try honestly to see things from the other person's point of view. (empathy)
- 9. Be sympathetic with the other person's ideas and desires. (sympathy)
- 10. Appeal to the nobler motives.
- 11. Dramatize your ideas.
- 12. Throw down a challenge.

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