

THINKING FOR YOURSELF – *A Trait of the Best Leaders* –

Learn to challenge tradition, authority and the status quo professionally and maturely, and routinely question your own behaviors and actions.

Do not:

Blindly follow processes and procedures regardless of their effectiveness

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Retreat from confronting problems that negatively affect your performance

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Consistently allow others to dictate and manage the use of your time

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Consciously do things wrong the first time

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Accept substandard work from others

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Follow “group think” regardless of its effectiveness

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Consistently ignore your instincts

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Demonstrate little or no initiative in challenging authority on questionable issues and proposing a better way

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Trade integrity for popularity

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Routinely repeat past mistakes

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Think you cannot make a difference

“Ideas to help you become more successful”