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# BUILD YER TEAM RIGHT!

Here at Work It HQHQ4HQ (high-quality headquarters for hilarious content), we've been busy studying team-building. Thank god we're smarter than anyone, which means folks'll pay big bucks for the following tips. (Do not read till bucks are paid.)

BY SAM (RHYMES WITH "HAM")  
AND JANET (RHYMES WITH "HAM-NET").



01

**T**here comes a time in every successful podcaster's career when you look in the mirror and say, "Our streams have cracked double-digits, and yet I'm still not satisfied." Friend, it is time for you to think about team-building!

Now, let's clear the air (and not just 'cause you farted, even though you did - I know your farts, buddy, and that one's all you): When we say 'team-building,' we're not referring to actually building out the size of your team.

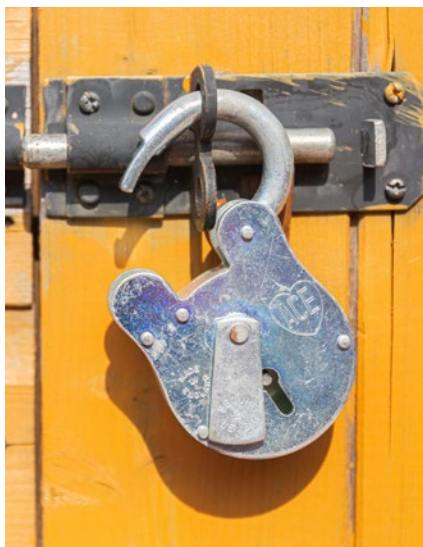
(Good idea though that is! In fact, Janet argues the best way to 'build your team' is by building an army of killer robots: you can crush rival podcasts, and use their blood to lubricate the robots' gears. To Sam, 'team-building' means reanimating corpses into automata. "Oh, like Frankenstein's monster," you say? Uh, think bigger, pal: We're talking a Frankenstein's monster's monster. That's right, folks: it's a double-scary mega-monster.)

No, this article is about the type of team-building where you use proven strategies, tools and techniques to essentially brainwash your employees to serve the corporation above all. So if you're in management or just generally a stupid asshole, read on. This nonsense is for you.

## TEAM-BUILDING

### *The Work It Way*

Right off the bat, you should probably be aware of the fact that all these tips are, let's face it, straight up plagiarized from <https://www.entrepreneur.com/article/313771>. Why not come up with our own team-building tips, you ask? Take another look at the URL. See that "https"? That's right, friend: these guys have got a SSL certificate! So I think we'd all do well to shut the eff up and pay close attention. Got it? Good. Take it away article number three-one-three-seven-seven-one:



02

The first trick for effective team-building is to “choose and use the right communication tools.” For Sam, this means learning new words besides ‘wubba lubba dub dub’ which is all he’s been able to say since a severe head injury in 2014. As for Janet, she just sends Sam threatening messages from cut-up magazines (including a forthcoming one that, according to her, he’s *really* not going to like). What this *actually* means is, get your team to use Slack or Messenger. And as a bonus, these tools are under state surveillance, meaning CSIS has your colleagues’ nudes. Very cool!

Tip number two is, “give employees authority to make important decisions.” Janet supported this, but Sam said “No!” Which caused confusion, because Janet didn’t think Sam was the boss, a thought which Sam doesn’t recall authorizing. They came to blows, resulting in a large dust cloud with arms and legs popping out, like in a MAD Magazine or something – you wouldn’t have guessed that that’s how fights really work, but now you know.

Third up, “encourage each person to contribute during meetings.” In the context of Work It, this means Sam and Janet each elbow each other and say things like, “Go on, do a joke” and “I thought you were going to do one,” and ultimately, “Do it, asshole! Do a goddamned joke right goddamned now!” In the end, both Sam and Janet’s contributions usually end up being that they pump Dane Cook clips through the SONOS, disgusting everyone present.

### THAT’S A LOTTA TEAM-BUILDING

*Just the tips, baby.*

Tip-o numero cuatro: Foster-o workplace-o relationships-o. Sam and Janet agree the friendships they’ve made on Work It are the best part of the show. Sam says Janet is his best friend, while Janet’s bonded with the custodians about how bad Sam sucks and the funniest ways he should die.

Tip V: “Recognize each employee’s contribution.” Like, when Janet sees Sam eagerly bringing his new sketches down the corridor, she’ll encourage him by saying “Don’t I recognize you?” and also, “Sam from Work It, eh? Doesn’t ring a bell...” Sam – far more sensitive in such matters – graciously recognizes that Janet’s scenes... exist... and that’s something, right?

Tip 666 is “Encourage employees to be brand ambassadors.” Sam did some good brand ambassadoring the other day when he went on the Work It twitter to inform Ben Shapiro he’s a dickless stooge sack of dumb dog shit. Janet, preferring greater decorum, went on the Work It twitter to inform Ben Shapiro he’s a fucking skid-

mark from the folds in Mammon’s undies.

Ah, seven, lucky number seven: “Provide professional development opportunities.” Once last year (pre-plague), Janet let Sam write a Work It episode all by himself, while she provided 100% hands-off, 100% remote “mentoring” (or so she called it) from an all-night Bloor St. Karaoke Bar with her real friends and about 13 Molsons. Thanks, Janet!

Tip eight is “give out perks.” Uh, you’re reading it, pal! So if you don’t think we’re team-building geniuses by now, I dunno, fuck you. And make sure the billing info’s up-to-date on yer Coil account or we’ll hunt you down and mess you up!

So, there you go: Work It’s guide to team-building. At press time, Sam was thanking Janet for being the bestest teammate a guy could hope for. Meanwhile, Janet had just completed a trade sending Sam to a Double-A podcast in DesMoines in exchange for future considerations. Team-building is good and all, but sometimes you gotta blow it up.

Sam was last seen packing his clothes in a plastic bag, as Janet counted her bucks.

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By “team-building,” we don’t mean literally *building* your team, not even killer robots.



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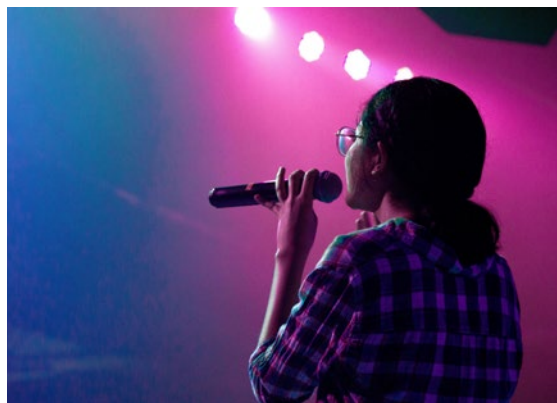
The site we stole these tips from has a SSL certificate, so yeah, I think they’re legit.

03.

One fun way our custodians think Sam could die is dismembered in these buckets.

04.

Janet ‘mentors’ Sam by doing all-nite karaoke, ignoring his texts, and singing Journey.



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