

# Practical Leadership

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# The Game ...



- We will give you a practical leadership goal.
- Work with your teammates to identify strategies for accomplishing the goal. **Write each strategy on its own index card.**
- We will reveal our strategies for accomplishing the goal one by one.
- And you get points!
  - 1 point** for each correct match with us.
  - 2 points** for identifying a strategy that we didn't think of but another team did.
  - 3 points** for identifying as strategy that neither we nor another team came up with.

# Goal: Organizing/Saving Time



**What strategies  
can you identify for  
busy senate presidents  
(or committee chairs)  
for organizing/saving  
their time?**

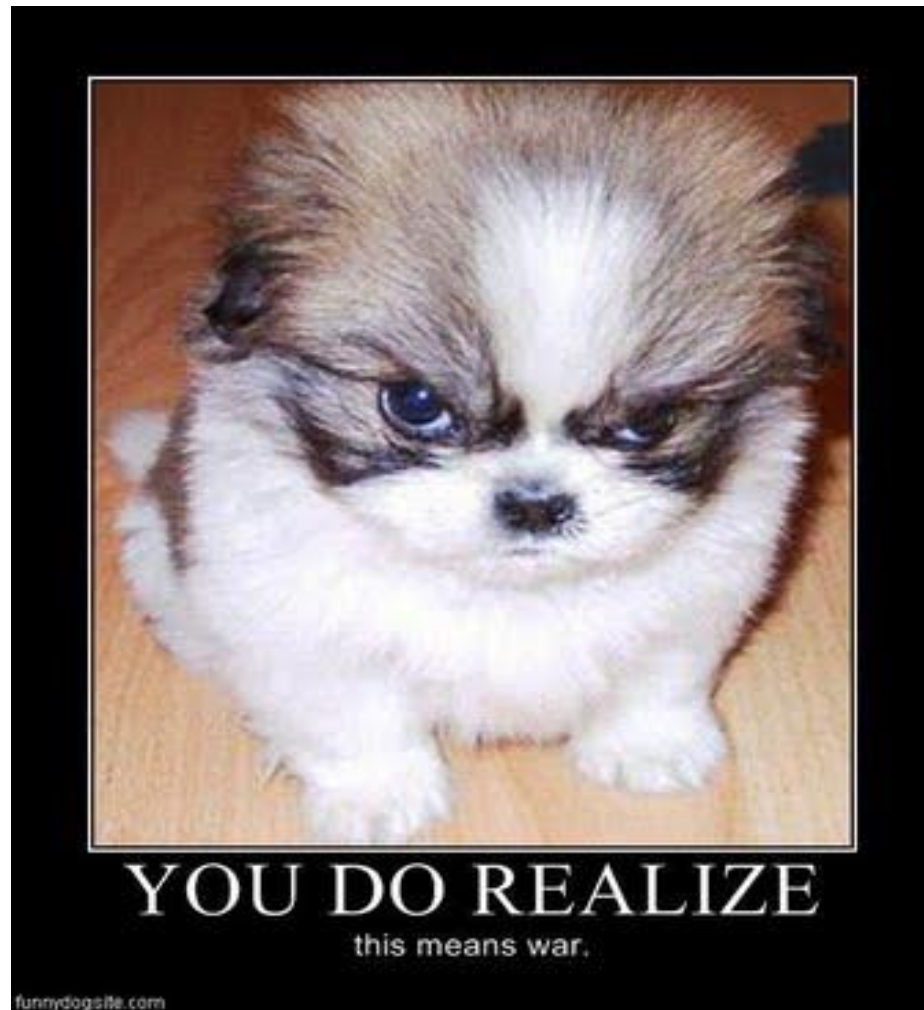
# **Delegate: Divide up large tasks and projects**



# Befriend Administrative Staff



# Choose Your Battles



# Determine Priorities



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# Tackle the Hardest Part First



# Goal: Preparing for Meetings



**What strategies  
can you identify for  
busy senate presidents  
(or committee chairs)  
for preparing  
meetings?**

# Mentor New Senators/Committee Members



# Tell the Story Behind Agenda Items



# Set Agenda Item Time Limits in Advance



# Identify Lead Person for Each Agenda Item



# Goal: Resolving Conflicts



**What strategies  
can you identify for  
busy senate presidents  
(or committee chairs)  
for resolving conflicts  
or reducing tensions?**

# ***REDUCE PROBLEMS BY PREVENTING PROBLEMS***





# Informal Senate or Committee Retreat



Seek out good advice



# Be Explicit About an Issue's Pros and Cons



# Treat All Speakers With Respect



## Try Not to Answer in Haste



**“I Am Just the  
Messenger.”**



# Try Not to Get Defensive

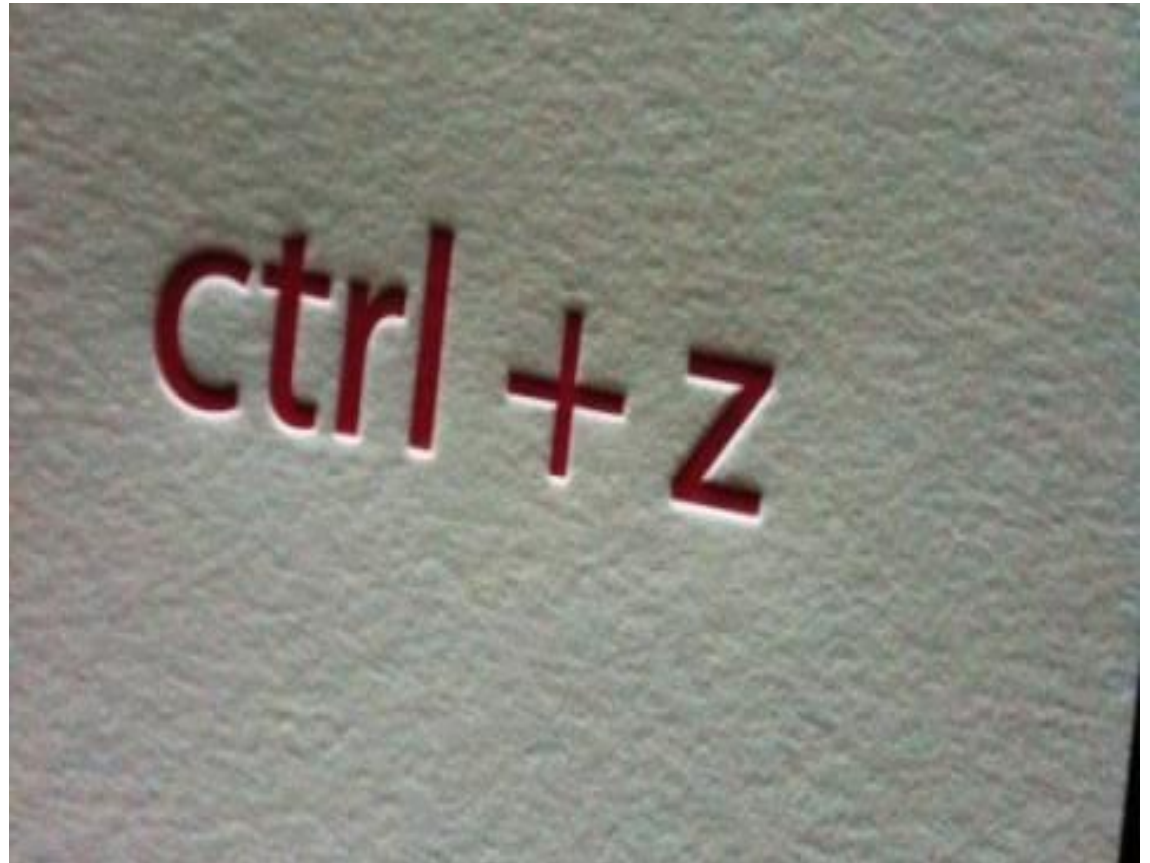


# Use Humor to Defuse Tension in Meetings





# A Sincere Apology Goes a Long Way



# Avoid Strong Attachment to the Result That You Desire

