# 10 Effective Strategies to Overcome Subtle Workplace Bullying

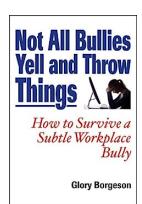
Subtle workplace bullying can be just as damaging as overt aggression. It often goes unnoticed, making it difficult for victims to seek help. However, there are ways to survive and navigate through this challenging situation. In this article, we will explore effective strategies to overcome subtle workplace bullying.

## 1. Understand the Nature of Subtle Bullying

Subtle workplace bullying involves actions or behaviors that are more covert in nature. It can include undermining your work, spreading rumors, exclusion, or passive-aggressive comments. Recognizing these behaviors is the first step towards combating them.

# 2. Document Instances of Bullying

Keep a record of every incident of bullying, including dates, times, and descriptions of what happened. Documentation will be crucial when reporting the issue to higher authorities or HR. It will also help you identify patterns and establish a strong case.



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## 3. Seek Support from Trusted Colleagues

Develop a support network within your workplace. Share your experiences with trusted colleagues who can provide guidance, advice, and emotional support. Having someone to confide in can make a huge difference in how you cope with the situation.

## 4. Educate Yourself about Workplace Bullying Policies

Familiarize yourself with your company's policies regarding workplace bullying. Understand the reporting procedures, available resources, and potential outcomes. Knowledge about your rights and the company's stance on bullying will empower you when taking action.

# 5. Confront the Bully Professionally

If you feel comfortable and safe doing so, confront the bully directly. Remain calm and assertively communicate how their behavior is affecting you. Be specific and provide examples. The bully may not even realize the impact of their actions, and this conversation can prompt them to change their behavior.

# 6. Keep Your Emotions in Check

Subtle workplace bullying can be emotionally draining, but it's important to manage your emotions professionally. Stay composed and avoid reacting impulsively. Practice stress-reducing techniques, such as deep breathing or meditation, to maintain your emotional well-being.

## 7. Build a Strong Professional Network

Expand your professional network by attending industry events, conferences, or joining relevant online communities. Cultivating strong relationships with professionals outside of your workplace can provide a sense of support and future opportunities for career growth.

## 8. Develop and Assert Boundaries

Clearly communicate your boundaries to the bully. Be assertive in letting them know what behaviors are unacceptable. Firmly but politely advocate for yourself and establish a line that should not be crossed. This sets the expectation and shows that you will not tolerate mistreatment.

# 9. Consider Seeking Professional Help

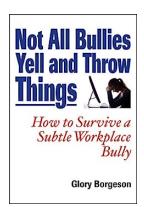
If the bullying persists and significantly impacts your well-being, consider seeking professional help from a therapist or counselor. They can help you cope with the emotional toll of workplace bullying and provide valuable strategies for self-care.

#### 10. Know When to Escalate the Issue

If all else fails, and the bullying continues despite your efforts, it may be necessary to escalate the issue. Consult with HR or higher management to discuss the situation and explore potential solutions. Remember, your well-being should never be compromised, and taking further action may be crucial for your professional growth and mental health.

Subtle workplace bullying can have a profound impact on your career and overall well-being. By understanding the nature of subtle bullying, seeking support, documenting incidents, and taking assertive action, you can survive and overcome this challenging situation.

Remember, you are not alone. Reach out for help when needed and prioritize your mental health and happiness in your professional journey.



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# **How To End the Workplace Bullying in Your Life!**

Stop the Stress, Stop the Pain, Get Your Health Back, and Get Your Career Back on Track! Are you the target of a subtle workplace bully?

# What is it about Subtle Workplace Bullies?

A plight is lurking about in workplaces across the world. It is in the form of certain coworkers, bosses, contractors, or even directly reporting employees. These people are sly, cunning, and tricky. Their bad behavior is usually subtle, occasionally obvious, and always stressful.

When we read or hear about workplace bullies, they're usually depicted as being loud, obnoxious, and harassing several colleagues. The recipients of their behavior report many stress symptoms that often harms their health.

But what if you're experiencing stress symptoms at work and no one is shouting at you, being obnoxious, or harassing you? What if someone at work is subtly badgering you, treating you in ways that demean you, and doing it on purpose?

In Not All Bullies Yell and Throw Things: How to Survive a Subtle Workplace Bully, Glory Borgeson lays out a new definition of a workplace bully whose fingerprint on people's lives is just as debilitating as that of an obvious bully.

# **Identify Your Workplace Bullying Symptoms and Solutions**

Reading through the first half of the book, you will identify the symptoms of workplace bullying as they match up to your symptoms. Later in the book, you will read about a variety of solutions to the bullying from which you can choose which is most advantageous for you.

## Identify the Bully and Know that You're Not Alone

In this book you will learn how to identify whether you're being subtly bullied, how the bully is targeting you, and realize this happens to millions of people daily.

# Figure Out What You Can Do to Lower the Stress in Your Life

You will learn how to take steps to lower the stress from the bullying, which will help you to be healthier. (Bullying robs you of your health!)

## **Decide Whether to Confront the Bully and How**

You will learn what needs to be in place in order to successfully confront the bully, how to get the situation lined up if this is the choice you want to pursue, and how to then confront.

#### **Determine When It's Time to Find a New Job**

The reality is, many companies harbor workplace bullies. You will need to decide when it's time to look for a new job – and how to do that.

# **Shouldn't the Company Care?**

You would think a company would care that its employees are experiencing workplace bullying. Many companies care more about money. This book will give

you details about what it costs a company to keep a bully on staff. You can arm yourself with this information if you need it to build a build a business case.

## Shouldn't Human Resources (HR) Help Me?

One of the author's favorite topics! You will read about the truth regarding HR. While there are some terrific HR people out there, most will not support you through a workplace bullying issue. Read about how to handle HR representatives so that they don't hurt you, too.

# **How Do I Get Help From My Family and Friends?**

When you're experiencing workplace bullying, you will need to get help from the people closest to you. There is an entire chapter devoted to how to get help from your family and friends. In fact, this chapter is intended to be read by your family and friends!

# Learn How to Identify a Workplace Bully During a Job Interview

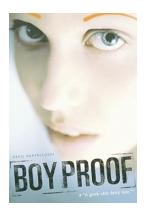
It would be best if you didn't go to work for a workplace bully in the first place! An entire chapter covers how to identify a bully during a job interview.

Life is too short! End the workplace bullying in your life now!



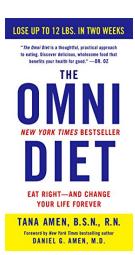
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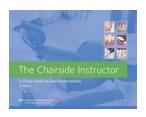
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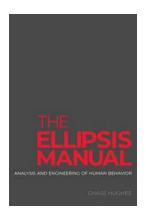
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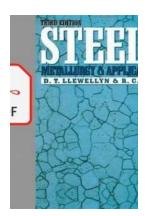
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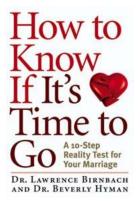
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