

SUBJECT: Language in the Workplace

It has been brought to leadership's attention, **with a touch of dismay**, observed utterances most unfit for the hallowed halls of our professional endeavour. It hath been whispered in the corridors that **such parlance** hath ruffled the feathers of the **tender-hearted amongst us**. Let it be known that henceforth, **such linguistic liberties shall be tethered**.

Leadership does, however, realise the importance of **open, honest communication** between members and the golden worth of frank and unbridled parlance, **a treasure most precious** in the exchange of thought **'twixt comrades**.

In pursuit of this noble ideal, a compendium of **verbal alchemy** hath been crafted, a list of **genteel substitutes** to transform **the coarse to the courteous**. Let each member engrave these words upon the tablet of their mind, that the garden of our collective intellect **may bloom in splendour unmarred**.

OLD PHRASE	NEW PHRASE
No f*cking way	I'm not certain that's feasible
You've gotta be shitting me	Really?
Tell someone who gives a f*ck	Perhaps you should check with...
Ask me if I give a f*ck	Of course I'm concerned
It's not my f*cking problem	I wasn't involved with the project
What the f*ck	Interesting behavior
F*ck it, it won't work	I'm not certain we can implement this
Why the f*ck didn't you tell me sooner	I'll try to schedule that
When the f*ck do they expect me to do this	Perhaps I can work late
Who the f*ck cares	Are you sure this is a problem?
He's got his head up his ass	He's not familiar with the process
Eat shit	You don't say

OLD PHRASE	NEW PHRASE
Eat shit and die	Excuse me
Eat shit and die, mother-f*cker	Excuse me, sir
What the f*ck do they want from me	They weren't happy with it
Kiss my ass	So you'd like my help with it
F*ck it, I'm on salary	I'm a bit overloaded at the moment
Shove it up your ass	I don't think you understand
This job sucks	I love the challenge
Who the hell died and made you boss	Would you want me to take care of this
Blow me	I see
Blow yourself	Do you see
Another f*cking meeting	Yes, we should discuss this
I really don't give a shit	I don't think it will be a problem
He's a f*cking retard	He's a bit confused
I fucking told you so	I mentioned this once before