

# Do You Start At 9am Sharp And End At 5pm Dull?

## The Power of Fun at Work

### Take Your Job Seriously But Yourself *Lightly*

- Keep a humor first aid kit in your department. Stock it with jokes, memos, cartoons, gags, etc... which make you laugh.
- Positive Attitude Party. Anyone who says something negative in the office must donate 25 cents to the pot. The party is funded by negative attitudes.
- Funny Fashions Day. Once a month, wear clothes around a theme: funny t-shirt, mis-matched clothes, loud colors, blue jeans, etc...
- Ho-Ho day: At the end of the workday on Friday, eat Ho-Ho's in the cafeteria with all personnel including administrators. Then drive home with a smile on your face.
- Have a child photo contest. Employees bring in photos of themselves from childhood. Match employees with their childhood pictures.
- Wacky Week Award: reward employee who comes up with something humorous related to what's happening at the workplace that week.
- Telephone Tag Gag (or E-mail). Catch a coworker away from their desk. Leave a message: "You're it." and include a joke. The last person that is "it" at the end of the day brings food or candy for everyone the next morning.
- Hard Hat. If an employee is having a bad day, she gets to wear an actual hard hat.
- Comedy Committee. This committee is responsible for fun activities at work. Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream has a Joy Gang. Joy grants up to \$500 are awarded to any employee who comes up with an idea that brings more joy into the corporate culture.
- Work Week. End the work week with a laugh by having coworkers share a funny story or experience that happened at work that week. Do this in the last 15 minutes of the week.

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