

3rd Place Winner in “I Love Cats” Contest

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There’s a reason the nouns within the phrases “cat nap” and “work like a dog” aren’t interchangeable. For those foolish enough to follow the canine instincts of fidelity, trust and honor—good luck to you. For the rest of us who will actually be running the world, a little primer on why cat shenanigans will always trump a strong work ethic:

Dog: Do as you’re told, without question and for little to no pay.

Cat : Adopt a thoughtful look when asked to do something, as though actually considering such an inane request. Blink slowly once, then loll down the hall, swishing your ass.

Dog: A positive attitude goes a long way. Greet everyone with an eager tail wag and a lick of appreciation.

Cat: Draw blood from those who dare question you.

Dog: When the boss keeps you waiting over an hour for your scheduled appointment, take it in stride and be grateful for what time he/she has to spare for you.

Cat: Oh, is my being in your face as you’re trying to work bothering you?

Dog: I hope my co-workers like me.

Cat: I wasn’t aware others worked here. Have one of them fetch me a rodent, will you?

Dog: The people are the heart and soul of our company

Cat: What’s in it for me?

Dog: What, quitting time already? Oh no! I’ll miss all of you until tomorrow!

Cat: Wake me up when it’s 5 so I can get leave this hellhole on time, will you?

Dog: What? Me? A promotion? This is so unexpected! Thank you for your confidence in me! I won’t disappoint you!

Cat: I just crowned myself King. Your new title is “Num-Nums” and I want you to hum “Mr. Mistofolees” non-stop for the next week or you’re fired.