



Testing Yourself

Challenges to Your Boundaries and Authority

How would you respond to these statements?

1. Faculty Member: "I see Mark doing the same thing all the time. Are you having this conversation with him, too?"

You:

2. Business Manager: "There are stories I could tell about this unit."

You:

3. Faculty Member: "You know, if we can't work this out, I may be forced to go public."

You:

4. Staff Member: "I have a cousin who is an attorney."

You:

5. Senior Technician: "There's no telling what I could do if I go off my medications."

You:





6. Senior Faculty Member: “This is incredible; who would have guessed that the power would go to your head like this? Does the Dean [President] know you’re doing this to me?”

You:

7. Faculty Member: “Believe me, you don’t want to see what I’m like when I’m angry.”

You:

8. Faculty Member: “Don’t I have the right to do as I please in my free time? Last I heard, this was a free country.”

You:

9. Faculty Member After a Department Meeting About Equalizing Teaching Loads: “You’re all ganging up on me because you know how fragile I am right now. I just can’t take much more of this kind of treatment.”

You:

10. Faculty Member on returning to teaching during Covid-19 “There’s no way I’m putting myself in a room with 100 students, and I just can’t deal with this Zoom stuff. You’re simply going to have to find someone else to teach this course in the Fall.”

You:

11. Faculty Member After Evaluation: “I thought you were my friend. Just where do your loyalties lie, anyway?”

You:

