

# Refining Communication

Being offensive is an art form

# Chapter Outline

- Non-verbal communication
- Metacommunication
- How to Irritate People
- The Three Irritation Tips

# Non-Verbal Communication

- Usually, our main form of communication consists of words
- However, non-verbal communication can help you to get your point across in a number of different scenarios:
  - Communicating behind somebody's back
  - Communicating during a funeral
  - Communicating during a fight
  - Traffic
- Refer to the textbook for details on the best gestures and communication mediums to use

# Metacommunication

- Metacommunication is a top secret technique that will allow you to communicate with extraterrestrial beings
- Even my spell checker doesn't know what it is – it thinks I meant “miscommunication”
- Normally, the government does not permit this information to be given out to civilians
- And this presentation is no exception
- Sorry

# How to Irritate People

- The past three units have given you the foundation of behaving antisocial
- Now, let's bring it all together!
- There are three tips I can give you to optimize your efforts in being irritating

# Tip #1: Be Subtle

- If your victim knows that you are trying to irritate them, the whole effect is ruined
- Not only that, but they might punch you out
- Make sure that the victim never has a socially acceptable excuse to punch you out
- Better yet, try to prevent them from blaming their woes on you in the first place

# Tip #2: Be Patient

- Constant irritation is bound to give you away in the long run
- You can only maintain a façade of friendship for so long before the victim catches on!
- Space out your irritations
- Better yet, get an accomplice to irritate them when you're off duty
- That way, there's no relief

# Tip #3: Be Quick on Your Feet

- However sly and patient you are, you might eventually get caught being deliberately irritating
- The victim will attempt to denounce you in front of your peers
- If you're "fast on your feet", you can twist his words and make him look like a villain that's trying to blame you for his personal problems
- If this tactic fails, it is even more important to be "fast on your feet"



# Chapter Summary

- You've learned the basics of non-verbal communication, wished that you had learned how to metacommunicate, and learned the fine points of irritation
- Nobody will be able to irritate like you do
- If you decide to use these tactics on your boss, it is not my fault

# Course Summary

- Congratulations!
- In just four short chapters, you've become an extremely unpleasant person!
- Impress your people with your ability to drive them out of their minds
- Now get studying for that exam, so that you can earn yourself a nice printed piece of paper that nobody will recognize