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HOW TO GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING

We are leaving the atrociously immoral act of lying in 2020. The year of 2021 is all about gaslighting. Gaslighting is the new wave. We are dodging accountability and making people doubt their own memory. Some of your favorite self-appointed manipulators have come up with some tips and tricks to use on your friends, roommates, classmates, professors, family members, baristas, and truly anyone that you pass on the street. We are not gatekeeping gaslighting; we are here to teach you how to do it.

When to gaslight:

- When someone insinuates that you may have done something, but, simply put, it could not be proven in a court of law.
- In group settings, when blame is being assigned, but you do not want to be assigned such blame.
- When you do something you regret that you would rather forget.
- When you feel like someone is asking you too many questions.
- Just for fun, to see if you can indeed get away with it.

How to gaslight:

The primary goal of gaslighting is making someone question their own sanity. You must, with a straight face and a slightly confused demeanor, maintain that you have no recollection of the accuser's accusations.

- Don't dwell too long. Hit it and quit it. Deny and disappear.
- Use phraseology such as:

"weird!"

"what?"

"omg, wait I noticed that too."

"That wasn't you?"

"That was someone else!"

"I've been here the whole time..."

"I couldn't even if I wanted to, I don't even have him on Snap."

"I hate to say it, I hope I don't sound ridiculous. I don't know who this man is! I mean he could be walking down the street... I wouldn't... I wouldn't know a thing! (Sorry to this man)."



GASLIGHTING 101 (CONT.)

Examples are a work of fiction. Names, characters, businesses, places, events, locales, and incidents are either the products of the author's imagination or used in a fictitious manner. Any resemblance to actual persons, living or dead, or actual events is purely coincidental. (sorry lauren):

You take adderall at 11 pm. Half an hour later, your roommate catches you popping another pill that looks suspiciously familiar.

Roommate: "Didn't you just take adderall?"

You: "No, that was somebody else."

[eyewitness testimony is notoriously unreliable, making their evidence circumstantial at best.]

You are in the common room at a suspiciously early hour in the morning. Your roommate notices that you are in the exact spot they left you.

Roommate: "Did you pull an all-nighter?"

You: "No, I literally woke up half an hour ago."

[bonus points if you shame them for being a late riser.]

You go to Starbucks during the aforementioned all-nighter, forgetting to dispose of the timestamped evidence.

Roommate: "Did you guys get coffee already?"

You: "It's not mine...Are you sure you locked the door last night?"

[note the tactic of diversion; now you've put your roommate on the defensive.]

You roll up to class, horrifically embarrassed to disclose what you got into the night before.

Classmate: "What'd you do last night?"

You: "Well, I definitely didn't realize life is a simulation and nothing is real and drink to the point of needing to be carted away in an ambulance to LCMH just to feel something, anything. I can tell you that much."

[the specificity will shock them into submission.]

Objectives:

- Maintain your innocence, whether or not you deserve it.
- Avoid ever facing the consequences of your actions.
- Preserve what's left of your reputation you piece of shit.
- Become so good at gaslighting other people that you end up successfully gaslighting yourself.

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