Steal something from work! It could be a paper clip, or cash out of the register, or full-on embezzlement. If you’re a barista, grab a bag of coffee; if you work at a garage, get a wrench set. If you’re unemployed, take something from someone else’s workplace! Unemployment works for the bosses, too—it forces people to take any job they can, and sends the message to other workers that they’d better shut up and knuckle under.

Steal something from work! You could share it with your friends, or give it to your family—the family you never see because of your job. You could use it yourself, to do something you’ve always dreamed of—maybe something making use of all that potential you would fulfill if only you didn’t have to work for someone else all the time.

Steal something from work! Break down the divisions that separate you from your co-workers. Work together to maximize your under-the-table profit-sharing; make sure all of you are safe and getting what you need. Don’t let the boss pit you against each other—in the end, that only makes all of you more vulnerable. Build up enough trust that you can graduate from taking things from work to taking control of your workplace itself!

Does your boss work less than you but take home a bigger paycheck? Is somebody zipping around in a private jet at your expense? If the corporation is making money at the end of the day, that means they’re not paying you the full value of your labor—that’s where corporate profit comes from! So if you need something in your workplace, take it. You earned it!
Is stealing something from work immoral?

Stealing is immoral, yes. That's why your employers should pay you the full value they obtain from your labor, rather than a fraction of it. If you take something from the workplace, you're not stealing, but simply taking part of your fair earnings.

Does stealing something from work make it harder for employees to get away with stealing?

Not significantly. The number one obstacle to employee theft is not bosses or cameras, but misguided coworkers.

STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK promotes worker solidarity and legitimizes employee redistribution of wealth.

Not everyone has an easy time stealing from their workplace. Some demographics are targeted for surveillance, and many people can't afford to risk getting into trouble!

That's true! That's another reason why, if you aren't in that situation, you should quit being such a wise guy and STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK to share with those who can't take it themselves.

I'd love to steal something from work, but I work at a local non-profit foundation providing services to survivors of domestic violence.

If you truly love the place you work, chances are it's under-funded. That's because the for-profit mega-corporations are hogging all the resources! Time to pay a visit to someone else's workplace.

But my employers give to charitable causes when they make a profit! If I steal something from work, they'll have less to donate.

Who do you think should choose the most deserving charitable cause for your earnings—you, or some corporate bureaucrat?

Just because you STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK doesn't mean you have to keep it all for yourself!

What if I steal something from work and my company goes out of business? Is this biting the hand that feeds me?

Corporations plan workplace “shrinkage” into the budget well in advance. They're practically counting on you to steal something! If that surplus goes unclaimed, it'll just stay in their coffers as more unearned profits.

Will the costs of stealing something from work be passed on to consumers?

Your employers are shrewd business-men—if they were simply trying to distribute goods as affordably as possible, they'd be in a different line of work. That means if they could be charging customers more, they already would be.

I'm retired. Can I participate in STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK DAY?

Yes, you can—just go back to your former place of employment! If you had to wrestle over a pension with them, they've probably got it coming. It's never too late to STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK!

But won't stealing something from work destabilize the economy? What if the market crashes again? Will stealing something from work bring about the end of the world?

Are you kidding? Who does all the work in this society—bosses, or workers? If anything, things would go more smoothly without them. If every corporation went out of business tomorrow, don't you think we'd be able to go on as before?

Is stealing something from work illegal?

Technically, it may be. Slavery, on the other hand, was legal until December 1865. Wage slavery still is. UPS fired an employee for imagining they could be running their own business.

Frequently Asked Questions about STEAL SOMETHING FROM WORK DAY

Will stealing something from work inhibit real social change? Shouldn't we be organizing to address the root of our problems rather than acting individually?

Perhaps you're onto something! But STEALING SOMETHING FROM WORK promotes collective redistribution of wealth. Some democrats are sparked out for real social change.

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