

BE CAREFUL--DON'T SAY:

- 1. "How many times do I have to tell you?"
- 2. "If I've told you once, I've told you 1,000 times."
- 3. "I told you so."
- 4. "Didn't I tell you not to..."
- 5. "You forgot again?"
- 6. "I think that it runs in your family."
- 7. "You look like I feel."
- 8. "This time you've outdone yourself."
- 9. "Who appointed you king?"
- 10. "You're off your rocker."
- 11. "Klutz!"
- 12. "You make no sense."
- 13. "Who cares what you think?"
- 14. "You don't match."
- 15. "You're impossible."
- 16. "You forgot to make supper again?"
- 17. "How can you live in this mess?"
- 18. "You keep on making the same mistake."
- 19. "Leave me alone!"
- 20. "You never.../You... always"
- 21. "Can't you take a joke?"
- 22. "I don't believe you."
- 23. "You blew it!"
- 24. "What's wrong with you?"
- 25. "What do you think you are doing?"
- 26. "Where are your brains?"
- 27. "What a nerd!"
- 28. "You really overpaid for this thing."
- 29. "Let me show you the right way to do it."
- 30. "I know that this is hard for someone like you, but..."

MAKE SURE TO SAY:

- 1. It's a privilege to know you.
- 2. You have a knack for doing the right thing.
- 3. I need your advice.
- 4. You really bought this at a good price.
- 5. Smart!
- 6. I'm impressed.
- 7. It looks so good on you.
- 8. You remind me of your father/mother.
- 9. I really appreciate your effort.
- 10. You do so many good things.
- 11. You are truly the right person to be around.
- 12. How do you find time to do all of this?
- 13. This is delicious.
- 14. Can I give you a bracha?
- 15. Can you give me a bracha?
- 16. What a wonderful idea.
- 17. You probably know the answer to this.
- 18. I know you're someone I can count on.
- 19. Beautiful!
- 20. My compliments to the chef.
- 21. You look like a million dollars.
- 22. Your parents did something right.
- 23. Some people really have their head on straight.
- 24. You did a great job.
- 25. What a chesed!
- 26. You have amazing taste.
- 27. You are so special.
- 28. You did this all by yourself?
- 29. I know that your word is your bond.
- 30. You're great!

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