

The Quiet Power Moves of Politically Savvy Women



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Habits to build
influence and
visibility, without
compromising
who you are.



1

Preview, don't just present.

Try This

Run your idea by a trusted ally.

Why it Works

Builds momentum and early buy-in.



2

Speak the room's language.

Try This

Focus on what your audience values.

Why it Works

Shows empathy and strategic awareness.



3

Ask for perspective, not permission.

Try This

“How would you approach this?”

Why it Works

Signals confidence without threat.



4

Signal readiness with small asks.

Try This

“Can I lead this next round?”

Why it Works

Earns trust through
manageable steps.



5

Loop in stakeholders early.

Try This

Quiet updates,
not big reveals.

Why it Works

Prevents pushback
and builds alignment.



6

Wait for the right moment to speak.

Try This

Save comments
for key moments.

Why it Works

Makes your voice
more impactful.



7

Say yes in public, calibrate in private.

Try This

In the room, say
“Let’s explore that.”

Why it Works

Keeps harmony while
preserving influence.



8

Build before you need.

Try This

Share progress
regularly.

Why it Works

Visibility
compounds
over time.



9

Listen for motives, not just messages.

Try This

Ask “What’s really
behind this?”

Why it Works

Helps you navigate
unwritten dynamics.



10

Protect your brand...quietly.

Try This

“Share progress early.
Share credit often.

Why it Works

You stay visible,
and others want you
in the room.



You can be strategic without selling out.

In fact, that's what real
leadership looks like.



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