

A. You're right. A bad attitude cannot be documented as such. It requires more quantifiable language. The Oxford dictionary defines "attitude" as "a settled way of thinking or feeling about someone or something, typically one that is reflected in a person's behavior." Behaviors that can be seen, heard, and therefore describedd(d)Tj-0.002 | 1/2e2e(dTthe-field)(t) | 1/2e(dTthe-field)(t) |

A. Tardiness of employees is a frustrating problem for supervisors. Oddly enough, a common missing piece of the solution is sitting down in private with the employee to discuss the matter and, most importantly, express disappointment. So try this approach. Be sincere. You may be angry and feel like lecturing, but simply express your disappointment. Contrast this disappointment with what you envision for the worker. This can trigger a stronger awareness of responsibility and guilt (which is a good thing). Employees with chronic behavioral issues use defensive mechanisms like denial and rationalization to avoid experiencing any anxiety caused by their improper behavior. Healthy anxiety is the "juice" of change. Your expression of disappointment can overpower this self-