

#### THE FEMALE **ADVANTAGE**

**Action Guide** 

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How often are we told what we should start doing: lean in, speak up, and overcome "challenges" in a male-dominated workplace?

Instead of encouraging women to lead "like men", we should be asking men to adopt some of the effective leadership behaviors more commonly found in women!

#### **Take Your Skills To Work**

- Don't write off your attention to detail, emotional intelligence, listening skills, relationship building, empathy, and humility as "soft skills" that you only use with family and friends.
- Learn how to recognize and leverage the power of your "Female Advantage" ... and be inspired to be the leader you want to be!



For every 10% increase in gender diversity, EBIT rose by 3.5%.

McKinsey & Company, 2020

**WOMEN LEADERS HAVE** A MEASURABLE IMPACT ON THE BOTTOM LINE.



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# <u>Leadership Qualities That Create the</u> <u>Female Advantage</u>

#### **Empathy**

Empathy helps you connect with people emotionally, create rapport and build relationships.

EMPATHY = INFLUENCE = **LEADERSHIP** 

#### **Collaboration**

To be successful, you must work in collaboration with others.

To be your absolute best, you must build your brand as a valuable team player.

#### **Persuation**

"The greatest ability in business is to build credibility and trust with others and to influence their actions."

(John Hancock)

#### Resilience

Resilience builds confidence and positivity.

Remember to help others be agile and see change as new, fresh, inspiring, exciting and positive!

## Relationship Building

Communication is your secret power...be thoughtful so people feel valued. Connect with others by listening to their point of view.

#### **Drive**

Many female leaders are driven by a desire to break down barriers and create opportunities for themselves and future female generations - use this momentum to propel you forward!

### **How Women Sabotage Themselves**













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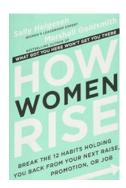
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INC. | The Hidden Advantage of Women in Leadership

Harvard Business Review | Research: Women Score Higher Than Men in Most Leadership Skills

American Psychological Association | Once more: The rise of female leaders



Leadership experts Sally Helgesen and Marshall Goldsmith have trained thousands of high achievers -- men and women -- to reach even greater heights. Again and again, they see that women face specific and different roadblocks from men as they advance in the workplace. In fact, the very habits that helped women early in their careers can hinder them as they move up. Simply put, what got you here won't get you there . . . and you might not even realize your blind spots until it's too late.

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"The question isn't who is going to let me; it's who is going to stop me." - Ayn Rand