

## MISTAKES COMPANIES MAKE WITH CUSTOMER SERVICE

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## COMMON CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS:

- 1. I've been waiting here forever.
- 2. I'm constantly transferred from one person to the next.
- 3. Did the person I speak to explain to you my situation.
- 4. You don't seem to care.
- 5. The product doesn't do what you said it'll do.
- 6. Your competitors said they'll do this.
- 7. Late responses on electronic messages.
- 8. Not getting call backs.



## COMMON MISTAKES COMPANIES IN CUSTOMER SERVICE:



- 1. Lack of training on how to handle issue
- 2. Reactive instead of proactive: Trying to argue with customers
  - a. A loser proposition
- 3. Lack of accessibility to customers
- 4. Not willing to call an audible that may go against your protocol
  - a. ie: This is not how we do it here
  - b. Not refunding
- 5. Not coming through on your customer service
- 6. Lack of organization on customer complaints
- 7. Giving the customer the run around (Avis)
- 8. Strictly automation: Sending a COPY / PASTE scripted response
- 9. Not using the basics
  - a. Thank you
  - b. Please
  - c. Request
  - d. I understand your frustration
- 10. Disregarding loyalty
  - a. If someone's been a member since
- 11. Not willing to take ownership immediately
- 12. Assuming
- 13. Bad attitude
- 14. Not building a relationship
- 15. Lack of speed
- 16. Talking too much instead of listening
- 17. Tone
- 18. Not empowering your staff
- 19. Auditing calls and tracking it weekly

ADDITIONAL NOTES:	