

Stress on Relationships: Want to Avoid an Argument? by award-winning author / stress-relief expert Susie Mantell

Here's a great, somewhat whimsical (yet effective!) technique for buying yourself some time before responding to a friend, relative, employer or co-worker with words you might later regret...

Side-Stepping a Verbal "Swing"...

- 1. At the first blows of conversational combat, visualize the other person's words floating up overhead---floating directly from his/her mouth into the air above, before they even get near you.
- 2. Watch the words attaching themselves to an advertising banner that trails behind an airplane... and drift by, around the bend, and out sight!
- 3. Realize that's all they are. They're words. They're in the air. They'll be gone in a minute.
- 4. Remember that sometimes "Tincture of Time" is the best remedy for avoiding an argument.

If this relationship is causing you ongoing stress, visit my website at www.relaxintuit.com to explore lots more specific, (and more serious) stress-relief strategies.

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