



**ET-Seminar #2**

# Common Sense

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**'5' Ways To Increase A Trainee's Common Sense**

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**Isn't What You Think**

### Learning Points



1. What is common sense
2. Think Out Loud #1
3. The Foundation #2
4. Colombo #3
5. Show Me #4
6. One Minute Pull Up #5
7. Anti Common Sense?

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..why should I

## What is Common To You...



May not be common to another.

But what we really mean by common sense is...

**'Everyone should know this'**

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Not So Common

## What is Common Sense?



In general, Common Sense is also derivative of **life experience**. For example, a child may stick their fingers in an electrical socket and be shocked.

As an adult, it would be considered common sense to understand that one should not stick their fingers in an electrical socket – **learning & experience = common sense.**

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Unless.. You have experience

## What is Common Sense?



In this call – an **inexperienced person** may feel that it isn't 'common sense' to send an officer to this woman – yet this experienced dispatcher did. Why?



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## What is Common Sense?



In Emergency Communications, we have a **goddess**. Her name is common sense. If a trainee doesn't make it, we often blame the devil of **NO** common sense. Is it true that common sense is something you are born with – or not? Should **everyone** know this stuff?

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## What is Common Sense?



Common sense is defined as the *'ability to choose the correct choice when presented with a decision'*.

When presented with someone who lacks common sense, ask yourself how many people without your knowledge would be able to do the **same** as you.

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**5** Ways To  
More  
Common  
Sense

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