

Engineering an Attack

In the first quarter of 2009 there were reported over \$20 million dollars in trade secrets, stolen from fortune 500 companies around the world. This is not the work of a computer hacker or some employee gone bad but a different kind of threat. Someone that is there, someone that you see on a daily bases, someone that you think works for the same company, but does not.

These people are a new breed of social engineers, someone who knows all the tricks of the trade. These people have no sides and no friends. Their life is a thrill and a rush. Their moral compass is always facing south and they won't think twice about that they do. These people are true actors and the world is really their stage and you are just extras in it.

This is how we do it.

There is one key rule that you must remember.

Mimic, Interrogate, Become

We will get into this in detail we will break apart each part of this key rule, so that you will be able to understand it in full. If you have any questions you can contact me at criticalmass24@gmail.com

Mimic

All deception in the course of life is indeed nothing else but a lie reduced to practice, and falsehood passing from words into things.

- Robert Southey

This is where you become something that you are not. Practice makes perfect. Grab a mirror and practice in front of it. You may laugh at yourself a few times. But the greatest test of passing as someone else is by making yourself believe you are that person. You may feel uncomfortable at first but you want to get to the point that every little detail about what you do, and what you say sounds real and someone that you never met will believe whatever you tell them.

This may require a great amount of time. It all depends on your mental mind set and how much homework you have done on your target.

Once you have this down its time to move to the next step.

Interrogate

"I have always loved truth so passionately that I have often resorted to lying as a way of introducing it into the minds which were ignorant of its charms"

- Giacomo Casanova

This is the funniest part of the game interrogation. This isn't the kind of interrogation that you would think of like strapping someone to a chair and beating them till they give you ever bit of information they have. I strongly do not recommend this. When I was in sales I learned something that became very important to my life and my boss would tell me every day when I came into work that its harder to turn a friend down then it is a stranger. At first I had no idea what he was talking about but you have to build a relationship with your victim. This will make it easier for them to open up to you. We will call it a friend, business, friend relationship.

If you are over the age of 18 you can usually call the company and tell them that you are a student at the local college and you are interested in what they are doing because that's what you want to do for a living and you were wondering if you could set a time up to come and visit. Most companies will agree to do this. This is the easiest way of getting into a place and seeing what they have to offer. At first start with little questions and then work onto the harder questions once you build up a relationship with them. Once this is done you have them wrapped around your finger and start asking the harder questions.

Once you have all the harder questions done feel free to take a tour around the building or you can end it once you see what you are mainly going after. You can end it on a note like "I have to use the restroom can you tell me how to get there".

Now you have all your information gathered and you are ready to launch an attack that no one sees coming.

Become

"You must constantly ask yourself these questions: Who am I around? What are they doing to me? What have they got me reading? What have they got me saying? Where do they have me going? What do they have me thinking? And most important, what do they have me becoming? Then ask yourself the big question: Is that okay? Your life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change."

- Jim Rohn

Now some time has passed from the last time you were at the place you are getting ready to attack. You also have all the tools and you have a general idea of what the building or place that you are going to look like. You have the clothes, the attitude and the knowledge. These are the strongest things you could ever have.

When I first did this I acted like I was completely lost within the company. Since I was new to it I asked a lot of stupid questions and no one asked me who I was or what I was doing there. Because in their mind they remember me, but they are not sure from where.

More than likely you are going to find that one person that is going to let you be their friend. They are going to be that one person that thinks they can mold you into their friend, and let them. This is the best thing that could ever happen just ignore everyone else and base your attack around that person. You may be there for a bit but that's fine this attack could last minutes or days.

Once you build up a friend, business, friend, relationship. You can do what you want within the company.

Once you gain the information simply slip out of the company, at the end of the day some people will wonder where that person has gone.

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