Positive Customer Service Phrases

Try these positive phrases to produce positive customer service outcomes.

Three tips for encouraging a positive customer service experience are: 1) apologize, 2) empathize, 3) help. The following are positive phrases for communicating with customers.

Apologize

Examples of positive phrases

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. I am very sorry...

I apologize for the delay. Let me check the status.

I am sorry you have not received your order. Let me check to see what is going on.

Phrases to avoid

I am sorry you are having a problem (implies the customer is causing the problem)

Calm down and let me help you.

That is not my fault.

Empathize

Examples of positive phrases

I understand how frustrating that is. Let me see how I can help you.

I understand how disappointing that is. I will be happy to help you resolve this.

I understand how difficult that is. I can definitely help you with this situation.

Phrases to avoid

That makes no sense.

That has never happened before.

That's impossible.



Help

Examples of positive phrases

What I will do to fix this Is ...

You have a few options to resolve this (then present options to the customer).

I don't know the answer to that, but I will find out.

Phrases to avoid

There is nothing I can do.

That's not my department.

I can't help you with that.

