

Gene Sharp's List of 198 Methods for Nonviolent Action

Protest & Persuasion	Formal Statements 1.Public speeches 2.Letters of opposition or support 3.Declarations by organizations and institutions 4.Signed public declarations 5.Declarations of indictment and intention 6.Group or mass petitions Communication With a Wider Audience 7.Slogans, caricatures, and symbols 8.Banners, posters, and	displayed communications 9.Leaflets, pamphlets, and books 10.Newspapers and journals 11.TV and Music 12.Skywriting and earthwriting Group Presentations 13.Deputations 14.Mock awards 15.Group lobbying 16.Picketing 17.Mock elections Symbolic Public Acts 18.Displays of flags and symbolic colours	19.Wearing of symbols 20.Prayer and worship 21.Delivering symbolic objects 22.Protest disrobings 23.Destruction of own property 24.Symbolic lights 25.Displays of portraits 26.Paint as protest 27.New signs and names 28.Symbolic sounds 29.Symbolic reclamations 30.Rude gestures Pressures on Individuals 31.“Haunting” officials	32.Taunting officials 33.Fraternization 34.Vigils Drama and Music 35.Humourous skits and pranks 36.Performances of plays and music 37.Singing Processions 38.Marches 39.Parades 40.Religious processions 41.Pilgrimages 42.Motorcades Honoring the Dead 43.Political mourning	44.Mock funerals 45.Demonstrative funerals 46.Homage at burial places Public Assemblies 47.Assemblies of protest or support 48.Protest meetings 49.Camouflaged meetings of protest 50.Teach-ins Withdrawal and Renunciation 51.Walk-outs 52.Silence 53.Renouncing honours 54.Turning one’s back
Social	Ostracism of Persons 55.Social boycott 56.Selective social boycott 57.Lysistratic nonaction 58.Excommunication	59.Interdict Noncooperation with the Social System 60.Suspension of social and sports activities	61.Boycott of social affairs 62.Student strike 63.Social disobedience 64.Withdrawal from social institutions	Withdrawal from the Social System 65.Stay-at-home 66.Total personal noncooperation 67.“Flight” of workers	68.Sanctuary 69.Collective disappearance 70.Protest emigration
Boycott	Consumers 71.Consumers’ boycott 72.Nonconsumption of boycotted goods 73.Policy of austerity 74.Rent withholding 75.Refusal to rent 76.National consumers’ boycott 77.International	consumers’ boycott Workers and Producers 78.Workers’ boycott 79.Producers’ boycott Middlemen 80.Suppliers’ and handlers’ boycott	Owners and Management 81.Traders’ boycott 82.Refusal to let or sell property 83.Lockout 84.Refusal of industrial assistance 85.Merchants’ “general strike”	 HOLDERS OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES 86.Withdrawal of bank deposits 87.Refusal to pay fees 88.Refusal to pay debts 89.Severance of funds and credit 90.Revenue refusal 91.Refusal of a	government’s money Governments 92.Domestic embargo 93.Blacklisting of traders 94.Inter. sellers’ embargo 95.Inter. buyers’ embargo 96.Inter. trade embargo
Strike	Symbolic 97.Protest strike 98.Quickie walkout Agricultural 99.Peasant strike 100.Farm workers’ strike	Special Groups 101.Refusal of impressed labour 102.Prisoners’ strike 103.Craft strike 104.Professional strike	Industrial 105.Establishment strike 106.Industry strike 107.Sympathy strike Restricted 108.Detailed strike	109.Bumper strike 110.Slowdown strike 111.Working-to-rule 112.Reporting “sick” 113.Resignation 114.Limited strike 115.Selective strike	Multi-Industry 116.Generalised strike 117.General strike Economic Closures 118.Hartal 119.Economic shutdown
Political Noncooperation	Rejection of Authority 120.Withholding or withdrawal of allegiance 121.Refusal of public support 122.Literature and speeches advocating resistance Noncooperation With Government 123.Boycott of legislative bodies 124.Boycott of elections 125.Boycott of government employment and positions 126.Boycott of government departments, agencies, and other bodies	127.Withdrawal from governmental educational institutions 128.Boycott of government-supported institutions 129.Refusal of assistance to enforcement agents 130.Removal of own signs and placemarks 131.Refusal to accept appointed officials 132.Refusal to dissolve existing institutions Alternatives to Obedience 133.Reluctant and slow compliance 134.Nonobedience in absence of direct	supervision 135.Popular nonobedience 136.Disguised disobedience 137.Refusal of an assemblage or meeting to disperse 138.Sitdown 139.Noncooperation with conscription and deportation 140.Hiding, escape, and false identities 141.Civil disobedience of “illegitimate” laws Action by Governemtn Personnel 142.Selective refusal of assistance by government aides	143.Blocking of lines of command and information 144.Stalling and obstruction 145.General administrative noncooperation 146.Judicial noncooperation 147.Deliberate inefficiency and selective noncooperation by enforcement agents 148.Mutiny Domestic Governmental Action 149.Quasi-legal evasions and delays 150.Noncooperation by	constituent governmental units International governmental Action 151.Changes in diplomatic and other representation 152.Delay and cancellation of diplomatic events 153.Withholding of diplomatic recognition 154.Severance of diplomatic relations 155.Withdrawal from inter. organisations 156.Refusal of membership in inter. bodies 157.Expulsion from inter. organisations
Intervention	Psychological 158.Self-exposure to the elements 159.The fast 160.Fast of moral pressure 161.Hunger strike 162.Satyagrahic fast 163.Reverse trial 164.Nonviolent harassment Physical 162.Sit-in	163.Stand-in 164.Ride-in 165.Wade-in 166.Mill-in 167.Pray-in 168.Nonviolent raids 169.NV air raids 170.NV invasion 171.NV interjection 172.NV obstruction 173.NV occupation Social 174.Establishing new	social patterns 175.Overloading of facilities 176.Stall-in 177.Speak-in 178.Guerrilla theatre 179.Alternative social institutions 180.Alternative communication system Economic 181.Reverse strike 182.Stay-in strike	183.Land seizure 184.Defiance of blockades 185.Counterfeiting 186.Preclusive purchasing 187.Seizure of assets 188.Dumping 189.Selective patronage 190.Alternative markets 191.Alternative transportation systems 192.Alternative	economic institutions Political 193.Overloading of administrative systems 194.Disclosing identities of secret agents 195.Seeking imprisonment 196.Civil disobedience of “neutral” laws 197.Work-on without collaboration 198.Parallel government