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Dear Amy,

One of the rules of financial survival is never quit a job unless you have another to go to. Pretend to be happy, pretend to respect your boss, and do as you are told even when it is stupid and goes against everything you believe. Tell yourself that the situation is only temporary - only until you get that other job. I could have been comfortably retired 10 years ago if I had not quit my job with Michigan Social Services in 1978. Not only that, I have not had a job since that engaged me as much as that one. I have written a book about that experience. I'll send you a copy.

Also, things change at work. It may seem unbearable now, but if your manager is really that bad, she might not last. Undermine her.

Happy Valentine's Day.

Love, Dad