



Scene Study 2 Script

In your pairs or groups, answer the Open Scene Study Worksheet questions to help give context to these scenes. There are three scripts to choose from. You may do more than one depending on how much time your group has.

A: HEY YOU.

B: Um, are you talking to me?

A: Yes, I'm talking to you. You're in my seat.

B: I'm in your seat?

A: That's what I said. Get out.

B: I'm not just gonna give you my seat.

A: Well, you won't be – because it's MY seat.

B: You're acting like a jerk.

A: GET OUT OF MY SEAT!

B: OKAY! Fine! Have it your way.

Debrief question for the audience:

What communication style is Character A using? Talk with each other about ways Character A could have changed their approach.

A: Okay, so I'm going to need you to come in to work on Saturday at 6am.

B: W-wait, what?

A: We've got the big event happening at noon and I want to make sure everything is set up on time.

B (quietly): Yeah, but I told you I wasn't available...

A: I'm really counting on you. If things go well, I'm definitely looking at some kind of a promotion.

B: That's great but I really don't think I'll be able to

A: Oh, I almost forgot! Here is the receipt for my dry-cleaning. You should go quickly; they close in an hour.

B: ...ok, I'll get right on it.

A: Thank you! See you on Saturday!

Debrief question for the audience:

What communication style is Character B using? Why do you think it was challenging for Character B to stand up for themselves? What would you have done in their shoes?

A: Knock, knock!

B: Oh, hey...uh, sure, come on in.

A: You must be very busy; I won't take too long.

B: No, I'm not busy. Just playing some video games.

A: Oh! Oh, that is so funny! I was SURE you had something really important going on because there's no way you'd let so many dishes pile up without having something more important to do!

B: Well, I didn't mean to upset you on purpose...

A: Upset? Me?! Pshhhh, I'm not upset! I'll just leave you to your "very important" video game and I'll go wash the dishes because clearly, I'm the only one who cares!

B: You're being somewhat unreasonable.

A: I guess I was wrong when I assumed there were two adults living in this house! Well, I'll be sure not to make that mistake again!

Debrief question for the audience:

What communication style is Character A using? Who do you think is in the wrong in this situation? Talk with each other about ways to solve this conflict.