

Dawn's Eight O'Clock

- Janine: "So let's talk about the group part of the test. Any questions?"
- Jill: "Where is Dawn? I mean, she's been late or missed class, like, six or seven times. I mean, I don't know, I just don't think it's fair that we always have to waste time telling her what she missed, you know. What if she's not here for the group part of the exam?"
- Bob: "Yeh, not only that, when she is here, she keeps asking questions about stuff we've already talked about. I mean, why should she get credit for work we do?"
- Janine: "Well, what if she has a serious personal problem and that's why she's always late? And, or that's why she misses class. Would you feel differently?"
- Bob: "Look, alright, say she's got mono or she's on drugs or something, does that change the situation? No! She's ruining the course for us. I mean, I think we should just kick her out. She's dragging us down to her level and that's not where I want to be."
- Debby: "I doubt she has a problem. She's just parties all the time or she's just lazy. And then we have to go back and help her out. And that's just not fair. I mean, she's like everyone else; she doesn't want to have eight o'clock classes and now she's sleeping in all the time."
- Jill: "I don't like eight o'clock classes either. Nobody does, but we're here, you know what I mean? And, I just, I don't know... I don't think it's fair. What if she had a job and had to be there at eight o'clock?"
- Janine: "So here personal problems are completely irrelevant then?"
- Jill: "I don't care about her personal problems. I mean, I don't know what to think. You know? If I thought she was hung over or just lazy, then I wouldn't have any trouble kicking her out. But will we be penalized if we kick her out of the group if that wasn't in our group guidelines? Like, what happens with that?"
- Bob: "Look, I just say we just kick her out."
- Dawn: [*Dawn enters the room quietly and takes her seat at the group's table.*]
"Hi, guys. Sorry I'm late..."