

FEBRUARY 2010 MONTHLY G.R.A.C.E. OPENING SKIT ON TRUTHFULNESS

Leader: Before skit begins, tell people that there will be many different ways that lack of truthfulness or misuse of truth is shown. Can they pick them all out?

SCENE ONE: [*#3 wants to cheat on a homework assignment from #2. #2 is trying to figure out how to handle it.*]

[*#3 approaches #2 with a folder in hand. #2 has a folder with papers.*]

#3: Hey, #2, I didn't get a chance to do my homework assignment that we have to turn in today. Let me copy yours.

#2: I don't know. I don't think it's fair for you to get the same credit as I do, if you didn't do the work.

#3: Come on, it's just a homework assignment. What's the big deal?

#2: No, but I'll leave my folder here. It's not my responsibility what you do. [*#2 moves away from #3.*]

#3: You coward! But that will do. Thanks.

SCENE TWO: [*#2 and #1 talk about the cheating incident. #1 enters room and approaches #2. #3 backs off and looks/listens in.*]

#2: Hey #1, what would you do? Someone asked me to copy their homework assignment. I didn't give it to them but I left it out in the open and I think they copied it on their own.

#1: #2, that's the same as cheating. Come on, you knew what they were going to do.

#2: I might have suspected they would do it, but I didn't really know. That was their issue. Not my responsibility.

#1: You should have immediately gone to the teacher and reported the other person. They don't deserve the grade they will get. It takes away from the work everyone else is doing. They need to be punished for cheating.

#2: But I tell you that is not my responsibility. The other person could have chosen not to copy the homework. And if they made the right choice, everything would be fine.

#1: #2, quit kidding yourself. There is no wiggle room here. Cheating is cheating. In any case, we can talk about it more after school. You said you would call my folks and tell them I am invited over to your place for dinner. We can go to the store then. No parents watching. They won't let me be out of the house that long otherwise. Make sure you don't tell anyone what we are doing. [*#1 leaves the room.*]

#2: Ok, I'll see you later.

SCENE THREE: [*#3 comes up to #2 and they begin to talk about #1.*]

#3: Thanks for not using my name with #1. I appreciate your loyalty.

#2: That's ok, but I felt a bit bad about what they said. It made me feel like I was the cheater.

#3: Don't worry, no one is going to find out. Hey, I overheard what #1 said to you. What a loser! They tell you to tell the teacher on me and then they want you to lie for them to their parents. They had me do the same thing last week and told me not to tell. What a hypocrite!

#2: No, you didn't hear what they said correctly. They want to go to the store and their parents can't take us. They asked if my parents could.

#3: Whatever. I still say #1's a loser. *[#3 and #2 walk away from each other.]*