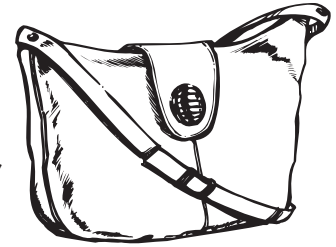


Accused But Not Guilty

Chris is really proud of herself. She has been babysitting and doing extra chores for the last four months to save for the prom. She saved enough to pay for her dress, shoes, purse, hair styling and nails. She even had enough to buy a gift for her boyfriend. She has everything but the dress. She can pick it up when she pays the last \$55.

In the past, Chris occasionally has taken money from her mother's purse. Last year she made up her mind to stop. She knew that it wasn't honest or fair to her mom. Besides, it made her feel really guilty. This caused her to avoid her mom for days.



On New Year's day, three months ago, Chris decided never to take money again. Yesterday, her mother discovered \$30 was missing from her purse.

Her mom was furious and accused Chris of taking the money. She told Chris she wanted to be paid back now. The only money Chris has is the \$55 she saved to pay off her prom dress. The prom is in five days.

Chris knew she would never be able to earn \$30 in the next few days. Chris doesn't know what to do. Her mom doesn't believe that she didn't take the money. This is because she was caught just four months ago taking \$20 out of her mom's purse.

Discussion

1. Have you ever been accused of something you did not do? How did you feel?
2. How would you feel in this situation?
3. How should Chris handle this situation?
4. What would you do to solve the problem?

ANGER RATING FORM

For each of the following experiences your group will rank them 1, 2, or 3, to show if you would be a little angry (1); pretty angry (2); or very angry (3).

Possible Anger-Causing Experience:	Is It Anger?	Ranking
1. Someone spills a whole drink on you at the restaurant.	Yes / No	1 2 3
2. Your complete lunch tray is knocked out of your hands.	Yes / No	1 2 3
3. You are accused of causing the team to lose the game	Yes / No	1 2 3
4. Someone calls you a cheater when you finally made a top grade.	Yes / No	1 2 3
5. After breaking a date with you, he/she shows up at the party with your best friend.	Yes / No	1 2 3
6. Your parent breaks a promise to let you use the car tonight.	Yes / No	1 2 3
7. Your brother wore your new warm up jacket to swim practice	Yes / No	1 2 3
8. In front of your new girlfriend, your friend teases you about your new haircut.	Yes / No	1 2 3
9. You are late for work and your ride doesn't show up.	Yes / No	1 2 3
10. You studied hard for the test and your score is the worst yet.	Yes / No	1 2 3

Total: Yes ____ No ____

