

Grab and Go Script: Group Project Mishap

Roles:

1. Student who is injured (Bethany).
2. Student who leads group: the Organizer.
3. Student who is meticulous: the Good Researcher.
4. Student who cares for everyone: the Social Member.

All four student actors should go to the front of room. Students 1 (Bethany) and 4 (the Social Member) should stand off to one side. Students 2 (the Organizer) and 3 (the Good Researcher) should sit down to begin.

The Organizer: Well, it's 2:07. We were supposed to meet at 2. I sure hope they're coming.

The Good Researcher: Maybe we should get started. The way I see it, we'll need a researcher, two writers, and a presenter. I'm comfortable doing the research. Do you want to present? That way we can leave the others to write this thing.

The Organizer: Maybe...but I think we should all discuss what our strengths are. I think...

(The Social Member enters breathless.)

The Social Member: Sorry I'm late! I was on my way here, but Bethany texted me and she has a problem. She's at the Emergi-care Center right now. She apparently fell and broke a bone or something. I don't know all the details.

The Good Researcher: Great! This project is due tomorrow! We finally find a time to meet, and now we're down one group member. We'll be up all night!

The Organizer: OK, let's not panic. Let's figure out what needs to be done and do it. You (*points to the Good Researcher*) had mentioned that we need a researcher, two writers/editors, and a presenter. Could we have one writer? (*Looking at the Social Member*) Would you like to write this thing?

The Social Member: Well, um...

The Good Researcher: Yeah! That would be perfect! I'll research, (*points to the Social Member*) you write, and (*points to the Organizer*) you present!

The Social Member: Let me text Bethany and see how she feels. (*Texts, then waits.*)

The Organizer: Do you think she'll be OK? I don't really know her that well, but she seems like a really nice person.

The Social Member: Oh wait, she's texting...

Bethany: (*Texting.*) I'm going to have my arm reset. They're prepping me for emergency surgery. I definitely won't be there today, and I'm not so sure I can help at all tonight with the drugs I'll be on. I'm sorry guys.

The Good Researcher: Wow. That's terrible. Should we tell the professor?

The Organizer: Yeah, maybe we just tell her that we only had three group members?

The Social Member: You know she wanted us to have four members in each of our groups. She meticulously assigned us. Besides, this is a lot of work. Maybe we won't get it all done.

The Social Member: Oh, here's another text...

Bethany: (*Texting.*) I hate to ask this, but...I really need this grade. Is there any way you guys could do it and add me as a researcher or writer? I promise to help you guys out on the next project.

The Good Researcher: But, we probably won't even be grouped the same on the next project.

The Social Member: I'm OK with it. Are you guys?

The Organizer: She's nice and all, but...

The Social Member: She'd do the same for you.

The Good Researcher: What should we text her?