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Transcript of *Finding Help When You Need It*

Introduction:

Emily: Guys, my Intro to Sociology class is going too fast, and I just can't keep up.

Jason: You think you got it bad? I got a D on my last English paper. I used to be an A/B student. I don't get it.

Brian: The university has a wide variety of services to help you.

Jason: You mean tutoring? That's for dummies, Brian.

Brian: Tutoring is not for dummies. What, you afraid someone's going to see you?

Jason: Well, yeah.

Brian: That's silly. You know, I've gone to tutoring several times.

Emily and Jason: You have?

Brian: Well, sure. I'd rather swallow my pride than get some messed up grade.

Emily: Where do they do the tutoring?

Brian: The Academic Support Center has tutoring for math and for writing. You can make an appointment or just drop in. They also have drop-in locations all across campus. Oh, and they have study groups, too, for other subjects. I mean, you guys aren't the only ones who need help. You should check it out.

Emily: They have study groups?

Jason: I just don't know.

Brian: You should try it. Look, I got to go. We'll meet next Tuesday. Same time? Same place?



Emily: Sounds good.

Jason: Yeah.

Office Hours:

Emily: Well, thank you very much for all of your help.

Professor: You're welcome, Emily.

Jason: Hey, is everything all right?

Emily: Jason. Where did you come from?

Jason: I was in English class. I walked by his office, and I saw you in there. What did you do?

Emily: Nothing. I stopped by the professor's office hours, and I asked him a few questions I had on an assignment. You remember. Brian recommended it.

Jason: Sure, but I didn't think they actually expected people to use them.

Emily: Well, they do. He actually thanked me for coming in. He's really helped me out.

Tutoring:

Emily: Hey, Brian. How's it going?

Jason: Brian.

Brian: Hey guys, looking good. How about you?

Emily: Guess what. I just met with my professor, and you were right. He's cleared everything up, and I feel so much better.

Brian: Talking to your professors is a great idea. That's excellent. Now if you need a reference, you can go back to him. It always helps if they know who you are.

Emily: And I joined a study group with my sociology class. We met yesterday, and I had so much fun. Soch isn't that hard at all.

Jason: You had fun studying?

Emily: Yeah. And I met a lot of really cool people, too. This one girl lives down the hall from me. And the group leader—she's really cool—she has purple hair.

Brian: How about you, Jason? How's English going?

Jason: It's going.

Brian: Did you check with the writing tutor?

Jason: No. I'm not so comfortable with that. I think I'm going to give my brother a call, though. He's a really good writer.

Brian: Calling your brother is a great idea, and I'm sure your brother's a great writer. But I think you should see the writing tutor, too. There's one over in the library every evening.

Emily: Just try it once. If it's not for you, then you'll know.

Brian: There you go. So, what do you think?

Jason: I'll think about.

Tutor: Can I help you?

Jason: Yeah, I got a D on my last English paper, and I'm looking to find some help.

Tutor: Well, go ahead and sit down. You've come to the right place.