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SCENE 1

Set the Scene

Nira and Jasmine are best friends and seniors in high school. Nira and Jasmine are visiting Nira's older sister, Priya, who attends a local university. It's Saturday night, and Priya is having a house party. Nira and Jasmine are ecstatic to attend their first college party.

Jasmine:	Hey, do you know the cute boy talking to Priya's boyfriend, Chris?
Nira:	Nope, I definitely would have remembered him. Let's go talk to them!
Jasmine:	Are you crazy??? I'm like the shyest person here! <i>Nira</i> <i>drags Jasmine over to the boys.</i>
Nira:	Hi Chris, good to see you! This is my best friend, Jasmine.
Chris:	Nira! Good to see you! Nice to meet you, Jasminethis is my buddy, Jeff.
Jeff:	Sup.
Chris:	Hey, I'm about to go grab another beer…you girls want anything?
Nira:	<i>Nira and Jasmine look at each other with wide eyes.</i> Uhhhhthat's okay, we're not exactly 21, so we should probably pass.
Chris:	Are you sure? I want you girls to have a good time.
Nira:	Nah, it's really okay. We're fine.
Chris:	Okay, I'll be right back.
Jeff:	<i>Nira, Jasmine, and Jeff stare awkwardly at each other.</i> SoI know you don't want to drink, but do you want something else that can result in a pretty good time?
Jasmine:	Like what?
Jeff:	I have a few Oxys, and I'm happy to share them if you want some. They make you feel like you're buzzin', but they're pills, so you don't have to worry about getting arrested. Want a few?
Jasmine:	Hmmm…sure, why not?!
Nira:	Uhhh…excuse us, we'll be back in just a sec. <i>Nira drags Jasmine away from Jeff.</i> What are you doing???
Jasmine:	What am I doing? What are you doing? That guy is really cute and I want him to like me. It's just a few pills, pleeeaaasseeit'll be fine!



Plot Twist:

If you were Nira, how would you handle this situation? How would you turn down the invitation to misuse, as well as convince Jasmine to not misuse? And what would you say to Jeff?

Think through these questions. Be prepared to perform the written portion of the skit (you can read the lines), as well as perform how you would handle this situation. Try to include a positive alternative for the girls to have fun and fit in without misusing prescription medication.



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Adrian is a junior in high school. He is studying at a local coffee shop when one of his good friends, Devon, walks in.

Devon:	Hey, I didn't expect to see you here!
Adrian:	Hey, what's up? Yeah, I have that physics exam tomorrow and I was having a hard time focusing at home, so I thought I would see how a little java helped me.
Devon:	Ooooo physics, that class was brutal!
Adrian:	I know, right?! I mean, who cares about centripetal force???
Devon:	Not me!
Adrian:	UgghhhIf I don't perform well on this test, I'll likely earn a D in this classand you know that won't sit well with Coach Buck!
Devon:	That is no good, my friend! And if you can't play basketball, we have no shot at winning sectionals!
Adrian:	What am I going to do??? The exam is in like 12 hours!
Devon:	Hey…you know I was diagnosed with ADHD a few years ago, right?
Adrian:	Yeah, I think I remember you saying something about that. How does that have anything to do with my physics exam?
Devon:	Well, I take Adderall® for it. But I don't take it like every day, so I always have a few left over. I could give you a few, if you want. They really help me focus, so I'm sure they'll help you.
Adrian:	HmmmI don't know. I've never really done drugs before.
Devon:	Drugs??? What are you talking about? This isn't a drug, it's my prescription medicationyou know, like medicine prescribed by a doctor. It's just the boost you needit will help you focus and concentrate, I promise! Look, I gotta runhere, I'll leave you with a few now. <i>Devon sneaks a few pills out of his/her</i> <i>backpack and hands them to Adrian.</i> You can thank me later!
Adrian:	Uhhhh…okay. See ya later, I guess. Adrian stares at the Adderall®, and contemplates whether he should or should not take it.



Plot Twist:

If you were Adrian, what would you do? How would you handle this situation? What could you do instead to help you focus and concentrate?

Think through these questions. Be prepared to perform the written portion of the skit (you can read the lines), as well as perform how you would handle this situation. Try to include a positive alternative to facilitate studying instead of misusing Adderall[®] or other prescription stimulants.





Set the Scene

Peyton and Harper are good friends and freshmen in high school. Harper plays for the Varsity volleyball team. They bump into each other as Harper is leaving practice.

Peyton:	Harper!! How are you??? It seems like I don't see you anymore since you made the Varsity team! Congrats, by the way!
Harper:	Oh, thanks. Yeah, things are a bit crazypractice is so intense. I feel so much pressure to prove myself, so I've been putting in extra hourswhich is how I got this lovely injury. <i>Harper</i> glances at her knee.
Peyton:	Well you are the only freshman that made Varsity! What injury? What did you do?
Harper:	I'm not entirely surebut my knee has been throbbing recently after practice.
Peyton:	Did you tell Coach Corbin? She probably would give you a breather in practice if she knew you were hurt!
Harper:	No way, I'm not telling Coach Corbin! If you don't practice, you don't play. And we play Hamilton this weekendthey're our biggest rivals! There's no way I'm sitting that game out.
Peyton:	Well what are you going to do? You're clearly in a lot of pain.
Harper:	UggghhhhI don't know! I keep taking Ibuprofen, but it isn't working!!
Peyton:	Hmmmcould you just take more of it?
Harper:	No, I've taken the maximum that the instructions state, but it still isn't helping. I think I might resort to Plan B and take some of my old Percocets®.
Peyton:	Percocets [®] what are those?
Harper:	It's a pain medication my dentist gave me after I got my wisdom teeth pulled. I didn't have much pain, so I had



h pulled. I didn't have much pain, so I had several pills leftover. I decided to keep them around in case I needed them in the future. I think I'll just take one or two before the match Saturday...that should help me play through the pain. What do you think?



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Plot Twist:

What do you think? If you were Peyton, how would you respond to Harper's last comment? If you were Harper, how would you handle this situation? How could you safely deal with your injury?

Think through these questions. Be prepared to perform the written portion of the skit (you can read the lines), as well as perform how you would handle this situation. Try to include a positive alternative to safely deal with a physical injury.

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Set the Scene

Madison and James are dating each other; both are teens in high school. It's a Tuesday evening, and James has stopped by Madison's home to visit her.

James:	Hey Maddie, how was your day? Better than yesterday, I hope
Madison:	Uhhh no, it was awful.
James:	Tell me all about it, what happened?
Madison:	Hmmwhere to start??? Well, Mr. Hale decided to make our lab report due this Friday instead of next Monday. At theatre practice, I completely spaced and forgot several of my lines, so Mrs. Baker basically told me that I would lose my lead role if I didn't get it together. Then, Kourtney texted me about getting together tonight for dinner, but I told her I couldn't because you were coming over, so now she's all upset with me about that! Oh, and then Dr. Chen wants me to pick up an extra shift at worklike I have time to add anything else to my schedule!
James:	I'm sorryyou sound so stressed, what can I do to help?
Madison:	I don't know! I'm just so overwhelmed, and I don't know how to manage it all!
James:	Hmm…well, you know how my mom is kinda crazy and super high-strung?
Madison:	I'm familiar with the description
James:	Well, whenever she has one of her super crazy/high anxiety episodes, she takes some Xanax® to relax. I think it would really help you…
Madison:	So now I sound like your mom??? Great!!
James:	No, I'm not trying to say that…I'm just saying that you seem stressed, and maybe Xanax® would help you relax and deal with the different pressures you are experiencing.
Madison:	Well where am I supposed to find Xanax [®] ? It's not like I can just go buy it at the grocery store!
James:	know, I knowdon't tell anyone, but I kinda went ahead and took a few pills from my mom's prescription bottle. <i>James shows Madison the pills.</i> Want one?



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Plot Twist:

If you were Madison, how would you handle this situation? What would you say to James? How could you deal with your stress in a safe manner?

Think through these questions. Be prepared to perform the written portion of the skit (you can read the lines), as well as perform how you would handle this situation. Try to include a positive alternative to safely deal with stress and help one relax.