

Teaching Pragmatics



Video Transcript

Employee refuses manager's request to work on his day off: "No!" - Scene 04A

- Manager:** Joe! Can I see you for a minute?
- Joe:** Yes, Mr. Eskam, what can I do for you?
- Manager:** Natalie just told me that she can't work tomorrow, and I'm wondering if you might be able to help out.
- Joe:** Huh... It's my day off... No.
- Manager:** You sure you can't ...uh... change your schedule around and try to come in and help us?
- Joe:** No!
- Manager:** Alright... well... you can go back to work. I'll see if I can get someone else...
- Joe:** Ok.