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Chapter 13: Preparing for Work—Read, Discuss, and Analyze Activity

Work Ethic

READ the case study

Bethany is a new employee at an office supply store. Her supervisor, Mr. Evans, has been unhappy with Bethany's job performance. On several occasions, Bethany has been late for work, resulting in long check-out lines and unhappy customers. When customer traffic is slow, Bethany is expected to stock shelves. Instead, she engages in personal conversations with coworkers or chats with friends on the phone. Mr. Evans has scheduled a meeting with Bethany to discuss her performance.

DISCUSS this question in class:

If you were Mr. Evans, what would you say to Bethany?

ANALYZE the following statements about the case study to decide which are true and which are false.

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| T | F | Bethany should listen to what Mr. Evans has to say and make improvements. |
| T | F | Bethany should not let anything Mr. Evans has to say change anything she does. |
| T | F | Bethany should give Mr. Evans excuses for her behavior and not admit that she has done anything wrong. |
| T | F | Bethany should arrive at work on time and avoid personal conversations during work time. |