

The Second English Radio Drama Competition for Hong Kong and Macau Schools

Level : Junior Secondary S1 – S3

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Title: Sammi's choice

Scene 1

Sammi : Stay away from me! Don't touch me! (crying)

Ken: Shut up! Do you want to wake up everybody in the hotel?

Sammi : (whispered) No, I don't want anyone to know that I'm here.

Ken : You want a LV bag. I bought you one. Now I've just given you an i-phone. You are happy, right ? It's time for me to be happy. Let's go to bed now.

Sammi: (crying...)But...but... I'm only 15 years old.

Ken: I've spent so much money on you. You must obey me. No excuses. And, I hate people cry. It's bad luck for my business. Don't make me angry.

Sammi: (weeping) Sorry...Just give me a minute. I want to go to the loo to clean my face.

(sounds: mobile phone music)(Cathy calls Sammi suddenly...)

Cathy: Hey , Sammi! Are you free? Can you watch "Alice in Wonderland" with me tonight?

Sammi: (some crying sounds) I'm sorry. I'm busy now!

Cathy: Are you crying?

(sounds: loud bangs on the door)

Ken: Are you alright? You've been in the toilet for 5 minutes already. Come out or I'll break your little neck.

Cathy: Who's talking to you? I heard a man's voice. Is that your Dad?

Sammi: No, nobody's here. It's just me! I'm really busy right now. Talk to you later. Bye! (quickly hangs up the phone)

Cathy: Sammi? Sammi? Sammi? Don't hang up. (sounds: do...do...do...)

Sammi: (open the door) Mr. Wong, I have to go now.

Ken: (slap Sammi's face twice) You little rascal. Don't you dare to play games with me !

Sammi: I've just called my sister. If I don't go home within 30 minutes, she'll call the police.

Ken: God damn it. You just wait and see. (Sammi leaves the room at once)

Scene 2

Cathy : Would you like a sandwich, Sammi ?

Sammi: No, thanks. I've just eaten some fish balls. I'm sorry about yesterday.

Cathy: This is not a problem. But...What's wrong with you?

Sammi: Oh! Nothing, I'm just talking with my friend.

Cathy: (sounds confused) Talking with your friend? But yesterday, you told me that you weren't talking to anybody! Can you tell me the truth?

Sammi: I have already told you the truth! (losing her temper)

Cathy: I'm your best friend, just tell me the truth! I won't talk to others! I can share your trouble or sadness.

Sammi: You are so troublesome! Go away!!

Cathy: (agitated) How comes? Where's the Sammi I've known before? You've changed!!

Sammi: I haven't changed! The one who has changed is...you! The Cathy I know before understands me well. And now you're just like my parents. Why do you keep on asking me lots of questions?

Cathy: (yell) I haven't changed! I just worried you. I don't want you to get into trouble. Our life is in our hand. We need to make clever choices.

Sammi: (yell) I know what I'm doing. Just leave me alone! I need some time to calm down. Okay!

Cathy: Okay! It's up to you then. (angrily)

Scene 3

(School bell rings)

Cathy: Sammi!

Sammi: Who's calling me?

Cathy: It's me, Sammi. I'm so sorry to you because I shouted at you and I was rude to you the other day. I hope I can be calmer. Can you forgive me?

Sammi: Er...

Cathy: Now, it's just the second recess, you can talk to me after school.

Sammi: Can we meet me at Bee Café after school? Then, I can tell you everything.

Cathy: (happily) Okay! Okay!! I'll wait for you. See you later.

Sammi: Okay, bye.

(SFX: noises in a café)

Cathy: Hey, Sammi, I'm here. Would you like to order a drink now?

Sammi: Okay.....(Sit down)

Cathy: Can you tell me what's bothering you now?

Sammi: Actually.....I've tried compensated dating lately.

Cathy: Wh...What?

(News Round up)

News reader : Last night, the remains of Wong Ka Mui were found in the gutter of Mongkok market. Wong was said to have gone out with a man named Ting Kai Tai. Wong met Ting on-line and she had a date with him in his flat in Shek Kip Mei. She was last seen in the area and was never heard again.

Cathy: Hey Sammi, did you hear that?

Sammi: What?

Cathy: The girl who was involved in compensated dating was chopped into pieces by one of her clients!

Sammi:Poor girl, I feel sorry for her

Cathy: Don't you think it's terrible? Sammi, you must stop what you're doing.

Sammi: No, I can't. Can you see - my father is addicted to gambling and drinking and my mother is only a cleaner. Where do I get my pocket money ?

Cathy: I understand your situation but you don't need to buy all these brand name products. You don't need a Gucci bag or wear Chanel perfume. (mobile ringing)

Sammi: Um, okay, 8:30pm. Okay 2nd Floor, Block 3, Sunshine Building. See you later.

Cathy: Who is that ?.

Sammi: Er...just a new client.

Cathy: Sammi, please don't go to see the man.

Sammi: I promise you this is the last time. You may follow me and you can see I'm fine.

Scene 4

Peter: Young lady, please come in. Are you Sammi?

Sammi: Yes, I am. Nice to meet you.

Peter: How much do I need to pay you ? However, you need to.....hehehehe.

Sammi: Um...\$500. Is that OK? AH! AH! AH! (Sammi screaming)

Cathy: (shocked) What's happened? Why is Sammi screaming? She must be in danger. I need to call the police.

(sounds: footsteps)

Peter: Don't run!

Sammi: Let me go, please!

Cathy: Stop that! Don't hurt my friend! I called the police 5 minutes ago.

Peter: you...you...

Cathy: Shut up! You'll be arrested.

Peter: No, you made a mistake.

(sounds: footstep [the police come])

Police: Put your hands up.

(Sammi cries)

Cathy: Don't cry, Sammi. It's alright...it's alright now.

Peter: You misunderstood me! Actually, I'm a police officer too!

Police: What?

Peter: I'm an undercover policeman. Recently, I investigated the cases of young people who are involved in compensated dating. Young people like you just want to make easy money. They sacrifice their bodies to get money. So, I need to arrest Sammi now.

Cathy: Oh , no. Please give her a chance.

Peter: No, she has broken the law. I must do that.

(Sammi cries loudly)

Police: Sammi, you are under arrest. And you may be sent to the...

Cathy: prison?!

Police: No! Probably the Rehabilitation Centre.

Scene 5

Cathy: Sammi , are you alright? I really worry about you.

Sammi: (sobbing) Thanks, Cathy...you are my best friend.
(weeping)

Cathy: Sammi, why are you weeping?

Sammi: Cathy...After I am here, I think about what I did and I know I have made a big mistake.

Cathy: I know but don't we all make mistakes ?

Sammi: No, I'm too simple and naïve. I always want to have the latest LV bags, i-phones or designer labels. Then the others will not look down on me. I just thought compensated dating is an easy job ...I simply go out with someone, enjoy nice food, watch movies "only" and it is the easiest and fastest way to make money. You know I come from a poor family, money is important to me.

Cathy: I know that. I am as poor as you but I think there are better ways for us to earn money.

Sammi: Yes, I know what you mean. We can do part-time jobs in the fast food shops or 7-11. I can't sell my dignity for the LV or Gucci bags. Now I have to pay the price for my silliness.

Cathy: Sammi, let bygones be bygones. You can start a new life now.

Sammi: Yes, Cathy...I'll take the life in my own hands. When I go back to school, I'll study hard, respect my parents and lead a decent life.

Cathy: OH! Sammi, I'm so proud of you..... (light music played)

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