

Skit #1: Order and Security

Roles:

Friend #1 Friend #2 Robber Officer

Summary:

Two friends are attacked by a robber on the street. After searching for half an hour, they finally find a police officer. The police officer doesn't know how to help them. Even when the officer catches the robber, there is no jail where the officer can keep the robber, and the officer does not have the skills to figure out what is going on. The officer suggests the injured friend seek justice through a local council instead of in the court system.

Skit:

FRIEND #1: You always want to go to the mall. Let's go see a movie this time.

FRIEND #2: But the movie will get out after dark, and it's too dangerous to be on the street after dark.

FRIEND #1: It's always dangerous on the street! I mean, even right now we could—Hey!

[Robber comes up.]

ROBBER: Give me all your money!

FRIEND #1: I don't have any money!

ROBBER: The watch! Give me the watch! [robber gets into a fight with Friend #1, and Friend #1 is badly injured]

FRIEND #1: Okay, okay! Take the watch. [Friend #1 removes his watch]

[Robber takes watch and runs away.]

FRIEND #2: Help! Police!

FRIEND #1: There aren't any police around here.

FRIEND #2: Let's try to find one. Can you walk?

FRIEND #1: I think so. [they walk]

FRIEND #1: We've been looking for half an hour, and there's no—

FRIEND #2: There! Help! Police!

[Officer comes over]

FRIEND #2: Officer! Help! Someone robbed and beat up my friend.

OFFICER: Do you know where he is?

FRIEND #1: No. He ran away.

OFFICER: Hm. Don't know what I can do, then.

FRIEND #2: Find him!

OFFICER: In this city? I wouldn't know where to start. And even if I found him, what would I do with him? We don't have anywhere to put him. The jail has been shut down for years.

FRIEND #2: You can't do anything?

FRIEND #1: Hey! There he is!

[Officer runs after Robber and catches him by the arm.]

OFFICER: This is the guy?

FRIEND #1: Yes! See? He has my watch! **OFFICER**: [to robber] Is this your watch? **ROBBER**: Yes. My mother gave it to me.

FRIEND #1: That's a lie!

OFFICER: Look. There's no way for me to know who's telling the truth. [lets robber go]

FRIEND #2: You're just going to let him go? He needs to be punished!

FRIEND #1: And he has my watch!

OFFICER: Take it up with the local council. They can figure out what to do.

FRIEND #1: I don't want to go to the council. I want to go to court.

OFFICER: The council is better for this kind of thing.

FRIEND #1: So you're not going to do anything?

OFFICER: [shrugs] Nothing I <u>can</u> do. You'll have to solve it yourself, or talk to the council.

