

Fire Awareness;

Transcript – On hearing the alarm and fire is detected.

(Jo still working on a laptop.)

(ALARM SOUNDING)

(Henry walking quickly down corridor past a slightly open door, notices Jo sitting there and returns to the doorway and enters the room.)

Henry

What are you still doing here, can't you hear the fire alarm?

Jo

(Looks up in surprise and stops what she is doing.)

Yeh, of cause I can - it's been going on ages, anyway what's it got to do with me?

Henry

You're supposed to leave the building, as soon as you hear the fire alarm.

Jo

Oh, is that what it is - flamin' racket, anyway no one told me?

Henry

(Slightly exasperated voice.)

No one's supposed to tell you, you should know to just leave the building when you hear the fire alarm.

Jo

Alright!

Henry

(Watches Jo slowly gathering her stuff for a second.)

Come on leave your stuff, we need to leave now!

Jo

Alright!

(Jo realises the seriousness of the situation and starts to hurry for the door.)

Anyway are you sure this is just not a test?

Henry

No the fire alarm test is on a Thursday, you should know that from when you started. Now we need to leave calmly, but quickly.

(They both leave the room together, Jo takes the lead but starts walking in the wrong direction.)

Henry

Wait you are going the wrong way. You should follow the green signs.

(Points to the sign on the wall.)

(Jo follows Henry along the corridor and through a set of fire doors – Henry stops checks there is nobody following and shuts the door whilst saying the lines below.)

Henry

Oh, and make sure you shut the fire doors behind you, if there is no one following.

(Henry and Jo approach the lift/staircase area; Jo advances first and presses the button to call the lift.)

Henry

What are you doing? You can't use the lift when the fire alarm is going off. We have got to use the stairs.

(Henry and Jo head for the staircase.)

Jo

(Slightly nervous.)

I can smell smoke, can you?

Henry

Yeh, I don't know where that is coming from. Come-on!

(They reach the staircase and Henry stops Jo before they open the doors.)

Whatever you do don't panic, this is our best escape route. There might be smoke, it might be dark, but we will be fine. Okay?

(Jo, looks increasingly nervous.)

I know smoke inhalation is a major killer, but as long as we stick together, we keep low, we will be absolutely fine. Okay? Let's go!

(Both go through the double doors into staircase and disappear from view.)