Narrator: Mary is a new student who has just arrived at the University of Studies. And now after settling in, her studying can finally begin. Mary, it's time for your first lecture, but you look like a bundle of nerves.

Mary: Well, I am a bit nervous, I couldn't sleep last night.

Narrator: Don't worry, you're not alone, everyone is in the same postion. Everything will be fine, good luck.

Mary: OK, well. It's time to go in.

Professor: Mary, we meet again, how’s your head today?

Mary: Better, thanks. I see you managed to clean your shoes.

Professor: Yes, I did. They still smell a bit but I’ll survive. Shall we get down to business, Business Studies. Now most of us are here?

Daniel: Sorry, I’m late, I went to the wrong room.

Professor: The first rule of business is punctuality, as someone once said, Punctuality is the soul of business. Now, what is business and why do you study it? Business is an economic system. A company transacts business activities.

Mary: Daniel, what's he talking about?

Daniel: Haven't a clue, have you got a spare pen by the way? You are going to ask him to explain.

Professor: What was that Mary?

Mary: Oh, nothing.

Narrator: I think Daniel is a nervous wreck. He is not going to help you, so I will. If something doesn't make sense, put your hand up and say”Execuse me, could you say that again please?” or “I don't understand, could you explain that again please” or maybe “Could you explain that in a different way please?”

Mary: OK.

Professor: Mary, what is it?

Mary: Professor, it's all interesting but could you say that again please? I don't unserstand what you mean. I'd appreciate it if you explain it in a different way.

Daniel: I think what professor means is you have to have a soul in business.

Professor: No, Daniel, isn't it?

Narrator: Daniel has got a nerve, pretending he know it all. Perhape it's just nervous energy that makes him such an idiot. Anyway, Mary, you spoke up and ask for clarification. It's a good idea to ask if you don't unserstand something. Don't pretend you know something when you don't, like Daniel did. Here is the remainer of the questions Mary asked.

Mary: Thanks Professor, everything is much clearer now.

Professor: Well, I recommend you get my book from the library – ‘Mind Your Own Business’. Oh and mary, I hold a seminar every Monday at the local pub, should you wish to join us sometime.

Mary: Yes, Professor, thanks, I will.

Professor: You can call me Robert.

Daniel: OK, Robert, it's a date!

Professor: Oh, it's you. Well, don't forget to bring your notes.

Daniel: Oh, my notes. I left in the classroom.