

Unit 5 Play script

MORAL



Predicting the likely development of the topic

Steve is reading a play script. Read the play script.

Show Your Care

Characters

Dickson – a middle-aged man

Kelly – a 10-year-old girl, Dickson's neighbour

Volunteer – a young woman

Act 1 Scene 1 – on a crowded street

Volunteer: Hello, sir. Our charity is building a new centre which **aims** to **serve** sick children. Would you like to donate some money to help?

Dickson: No! I don't want to spend money on children I don't know. *(walks away quickly)*

Act 2 Scene 1 – outside a train station

Kelly: *(shocked)* Look, Mr Dickson! The old lady in the brown T-shirt is sitting on the floor! I think she is feeling unwell. Let's help her up and call the ambulance.

Dickson: Good idea, Kelly! How about going by yourself and asking somebody else for help? I'm in a hurry to go to work. Bye!

Act 2 Scene 2 – in the corridor of Dickson's building

(Dickson sits outside his home and looks painful.)

Kelly: What happened, Mr Dickson?

Dickson: I have just tripped over and hurt my right ankle. I can't stand up now.

Kelly: *(shocked)* Let me bring you to the hospital nearby.

Dickson: *(surprised)* Why do you help me? I have nothing to **offer** you in return...

Kelly: We should always lend a helping hand to people in need, even if we don't get returns or **benefits** from them. Okay, let me help you up!

Dickson: I have never helped others unless I can gain something out of it... *(shamefully)* I was really selfish. Now, **I have changed my mind...**



10 mins



Read the play script, pay attention to the tones and learn how to act in a drama.

DATE

Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. What does the word 'serve' in Act 1 mean?

serve (v.)

- 1. to provide food or drinks
'This restaurant serves breakfast and lunch only.'
- 2. to work for an organisation
'He served as the chairperson of the English Club.'
- 3. to help or be used for a particular purpose or reason
'The community centre serves citizens in the neighbourhood.'
- 4. to help the customers in a shop
'The staff members serve me politely and patiently.'

Tip

Q1: Pay attention to the verb in the definition.

- A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4

2. At first, Dickson does NOT care about _____.

- A. money B. work C. himself D. people in need



3. Dickson says, 'I have changed my mind' in Act 2. What may he do afterwards?

- A. help those who are in need B. ask Kelly to help him again
 C. donate all his money D. be careful not to trip over again

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

4. Has Dickson helped the old lady? Why?

5. Why does Dickson sit on the floor in Act 2?

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the play script. Change the word form when necessary.

I read a play script today. It teaches us not to be 6. _____. When others need help, we should 7. _____ them a helping hand. So, I plan to sign up to be a 8. _____ for a charity.