

## Drama and Role-Play

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# **"Saturday English"**

**New and original "We Are New York" episodes  
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### **Hunter College SPELL - Spring 2010**

#### **Level 4 Morning Class**

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**Level 4 Afternoon Class**

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**"Saturday English : Alma and Ana"**

**Writers : Elizabeth Palomino, Almareli Cardoso, Elva Velepucha, Ana Madrigal. Not in picture: Alma Vazquez, Alberto Berrocal.**

**Alma and Ana are friends and neighbors who live in the Bronx.**

**Scene 1:**

**Ana: Hi Alma ! How are you ?**

**Alma: I'm fine Ana and you ?**

**Ana: I'm fine. How long have you been here at the laundromat ?**

**Alma: Not too long, about 20 minutes .**

**Ana: Did you have a parent-teacher conference ?**

**Alma: No, not yet. Why ?**

**Ana: Because I have a problem. I don't understand the teacher.**

**Alma: I have the solution for you .**

**Ana: Really ! What can I do ?**

Alma: You can go to Hunter College and fill out a form .  
 Ana: How can I get the form ?  
 Alma: I will bring it to you next week .  
 Ana: Do you promise ?  
 Alma: I promise you. I study English at Hunter College and I have a good teacher .

Ana: Really !  
 Alma: Yes, his name is Don .

## Scene 2 :

Alma: Hi! Ana, I brought you the form. You have to fill it out and send it by mail .  
 Ana: Ok! Thank you so much.  
 Alma: They will send a letter.  
 Ana: Oh yeah!  
 Alma: The letter is going to have the date and time you have to be there to take a test.

Ana: Ok! I'm going to be ready to take it.  
 Alma: Oh ! Ana, don't worry about it, the test is very easy.  
 Ana: Ok, Alma. I'll see you next Saturday.  
 Alma: If you want, next week we can go together.

Ana: What time should we take the train ?  
 Alma: Around 8:00 am.  
 Ana: Okay ! See you then.

## Scene 3: ( the following Saturday at 3 pm. )

Alma: How was the test?  
 Ana: Oh, it was good. I'm in level 4.

## Scene 4:

Alma: Ana, who helps you to take care of your child on Saturday so you can go to SPELL class ?  
 Ana: I don't have a problem because I have only one child, he is 18 years old.

Alma: How do you like your class at SPELL? How do you like your classmates?

Ana: I like my class very much. I like my classmates because we are all from different countries.

Alma: How do you like your teacher?

Ana: He is a very good teacher and he is funny.

Alma: What kinds of activities do you do in your class?

Ana: Sometimes we work in groups, watch TV, and listen to music too.

Alma: What are your goals for learning English?

Ana: To get a better job, to understand the parent teacher conference, and better communication at the hospital. What kind of goals do you have?

Alma: Oh, to help my son with his homework, and to have a better life in the future.



### **"Saturday English: Rosalba and Hai"**

Rosalba and Hai work for the same cleaning company in Brooklyn.

#### **Scene 1:**

Rosalba: Hi ! Good morning Hai

Hai: Good morning, Rosalba.

Rosalba: How are you doing ?

Hai: Not too bad.

Rosalba: Did you meet the new supervisor?

Hai: No, not yet. And you ?

Rosalba: Yes, I already met her. She looks like a nice person.

Hai: Where is she from ?

Rosalba: She is from Russia.

Hai : Oh, oh don't tell me that. I have a problem.

Rosalba: What kind of problem is it?

Hai : I don't speak English and I need to learn.



**"Saturday English : Rosalba and Hai"**

**Writers :** Yinia Rivera, Jenny Caceres, Hai Nguyen, Martha Alvarez, Rosalba Perez, Maria Rodriguez, Delia Labra. **Not in picture:** Linda Salazar.

**Rosalba:** Well, I know the right place.

**Hai :** You do? Where is that?

**Rosalba :** It's at Hunter College. It's a free program in Manhattan.

**Hai :** What do I have to do to go there?

**Rosalba :** You need to fill out a form.

**Hai :** How can I get one?

**Rosalba :** I have one at home and I will bring it for you tomorrow.

**Hai :** Thank you so much.

**Rosalba :** It's a pleasure to help you, my friend !

**Scene 2:** ( the next day )

**Rosalba:** Hi, Hai ! This is the form that you have to fill out. You can mail



it or bring it to the SPELL office at Hunter College.

Hai: Where is the office and how can I get there ?  
 Rosalba: Take the 6 train to 68th Street/ Hunter College Station. The office is on the 10th Floor, Room 1031 HW. Don't forget to take your ID and your children's birth certificates.

Hai: I am grateful for what you are doing for me.  
 Rosalba: You know - we are friends. Good luck !  
 Hai: Thank you ! I will see you there for the test.  
 Rosalba: I will be there at 9:00 am after the test, in the cafeteria.  
 Hai: That is a good idea!

Scene 3: ( next Saturday )

Rosalba: Hi my friend! How was the test ?  
 Hai: It was easy !  
 Rosalba: Ha ! Tell me ! Tell me ! What level are you in ? I think you will be in level 6.  
 Hai: Ha ! Ha ! I wish, but I am going to be in level 2 and my teacher will be a man named Don.

Rosalba: Well, my teacher is a happy person and he's a hard worker. Today, he taught us verbs.  
 Hai: Oh my God ! My teacher told us that we have to make a project about " We Are New York ". We have to work in groups and all my classmates will participate in it.

Scene 4: ( next month )

Rosalba: Hi, what's new? What are you doing to improve your English ?  
 Hai: Well, I found some information on the website: [www.learnenglish.de/](http://www.learnenglish.de/). They have some good exercises to practice and I think they have helped me a lot.

Rosalba: I went to the library and I got some English books.  
 Hai: Don't worry, little by little we're gonna improve. My aim will be to help my children with their homework, and I would like to get a promotion at my job. And how about you ?

Rosalba: Well, right now I would like to feel more comfortable when I speak English with my friends and also at my job. This is very important to me .

Scene 5: ( after two weeks )

Rosalba; Finally ! We finished the class.

Hai: Yes ! I am so happy about that. We reached our goals. We have to celebrate now.

Rosalba: Yes ! This is a celebration time !

Hai: And I will see you next semester.

Rosalba: Yes, I will see you my friend.



**"Saturday English : Claudia"**

**Writers : Claudia Penagos, Marlene Atahualpa, Silvia Aranda, Jacqueline Acuna, Plinio Baez. Not in picture: Victor Rivera**



Claudia lives with her husband, David, in Queens. Her pastor, Plinio, helps her to find free English classes in Manhattan.

**Scene 1:** ( at church )

**Plinio:** Welcome to the church ! Today, I have some good programs for us. After the service, if you need some more information, come to the office.

( later, after the service )

**Claudia:** Good morning ! I heard you talk about programs. I'm interested in English class.

**Plinio:** Great ! I have two options for you.

**Claudia:** Can you tell me about the options?

**Plinio:** Sure ! I have a program in my church and there is another program at Hunter College.

**Claudia:** Oh, Hunter College. That sounds good !

**Plinio:** Do you have children ?

**Claudia:** Yes, I do. Why do you ask ?

**Plinio:** It is a requirement for studying English at Hunter College.

**Claudia:** I am interested. Can you give me a form for this program please ?

**Plinio:** Of course. I will gladly give you one.

**Claudia:** Thanks so much. Ok, I will see you next Sunday.

**Plinio:** Bye. I will see you soon.

**Scene 2:** ( Claudia at home with her husband )

**Claudia:** Hi Baby, how are you?

**David:** Hi Honey, I'm great .

**Claudia:** I'm going to take an English class !

**David:** Really ? Where ?

**Claudia:** At Hunter College, it's a free program.

**David:** What are the requirements ?

**Claudia:** The only requirement is that you have kids in school.

**David:** Are you sure ? Good. When is the class going to start ?

**Claudia:** I'm pretty sure it's going to start next Saturday.

**David:** What days will you have class ?

**Claudia:** Every Saturday for 13 weeks.

**David:** And what time ?

**Claudia:** It's 9 am to 3 pm.

**David:** What about the children ?

**Claudia:** I was thinking about that, could you take care of them ? If you can't, I won't be able to start the class.

**David:** Oh my sweetheart ! Don't worry about it. I can take care of our children.

**Claudia:** Honey ! Thank you so much. I really appreciate it.

**David:** Well, when will you take the test ?

**Claudia:** I don't know. I need to go to Hunter College to get some information about it.

**David:** Great ! Where is Hunter College ?

**Claudia:** It is located at 68th Street and Lexington Avenue.

**David:** Perfect ! So, are you going there tomorrow ?

**Claudia:** Yeah baby !

**Scene 3:** ( the next day, Saturday )

**David:** Hi Honey, how was your day ?

**Claudia:** Hi Baby ! It was great. I filled out the application and next Saturday I will have the test.

**David:** Wonderful ! I'm really happy for you.

**Scene 4:** ( next Saturday )

**Claudia:** ( on her cell phone ) Hi Baby, I'm at Hunter College now. I took the test and next Saturday I will know what level I will be in and classes will start.

**David:** Wonderful ! How was your test ?

**Claudia:** Good. I'll tell you more when I get home.

**Scene 5:** ( the following week, after the first day of class )

**Claudia:** I am so happy ! I have to tell Plinio how great it is and thank him for giving me the information.

**David:** Yeah, of course. Maybe you can call him ! Well ? So tell me about your first day at Hunter College.

- Claudia:** Absolutely ! I was telling you that I'm happy because my first class was great. I have two nice teachers.
- David:** Really ? Two teachers ? That sounds good. What are their names? Are they good teachers ?
- Claudia:** They are the best teachers in the world. I've never had teachers like them. They always help you and if you say something wrong, they always say, "Repeat" so you have good pronunciation.
- David:** Really ?
- Claudia:** Yes. Listen, when you have good teachers you feel great and you feel excited about learning English. I think Hunter College has wonderful teachers. Oh ! I forgot to tell you their names. They are Dariusz and Don. They are amazing teachers !



**"Saturday English : Caritina and Clodet"**

**Writers :** Ana Gutierrez, Caritina Portillo, Clodet Solsol. **Not in picture:** Viviana Garcia, Elizabeth Chegne, Laura Sarmiento

Caritina and Clodet are old friends who both live in Queens.

**Scene 1:**

**Caritina:** Hi Clodet ! Do you live here in Woodside ?

**Clodet:** Yes, I live in Woodside. I remember you. I have a question: do you study English ?

**Caritina:** Yes, I study English. Why ?

**Clodet:** I need to study English because it is very important here in the U.S. to have better communication with other people, and I also want to help my sons with their homework.

**Caritina:** I can help you. Do you want to study English at Hunter College ? I study on Saturdays. The classes are from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

**Clodet:** Thank you ! Saturday is a good day for me and the schedule is good. My husband will take care of the children.

**Caritina:** So, you have children studying in public school ? Because it is important if you want to study at Hunter College.

**Clodet:** Yes, I have two sons in public school.

**Caritina:** Great ! I will bring you a form for SPELL students. The next semester begins in September. Can you give me your telephone number ?

**Clodet:** Yes, my telephone number is 718-888-8888.

**Caritina:** I will call you soon.

**Clodet:** Thank you !

**Scene 2:**

**Clodet:** I took the placement test at Hunter College and it was difficult for me.

**Caritina:** Don't worry ! My test was easy. Now let's go find our level, classroom, and teacher. Then, let's meet at 11:30 in between classes to have lunch together.

**Clodet:** Ok ! I'll wait for you on the 6th Floor.

**Scene 3:** ( after the first day of classes )

**Caritina:** My teachers are good people and they teach very well.

**Clodet:** Mine too ! They are really good teachers.

**Caritina:** My classmates are nice too, and from all different countries.



**Clodet:** In my class, all the people are Hispanic.  
**Caritina:** The activities are good too. We're learning grammar, reading and writing.  
**Clodet:** That's good because it will help you learn English.

**Scene 4:** ( several weeks later, in between classes )

**Caritina:** I want to improve my English so I can find a better job and help my children.  
**Clodet:** That's good - I feel the same way.  
**Caritina:** When I have more money, I want to open a bakery !  
**Clodet:** And I want to open a printing business ! Let's celebrate with a party at my house !



**"Saturday English : Fatma and Ruperto"**

**Writers :** Ruperto Bravo, Fatma Berrouane, Veronica Castro, Patricia Noel Siosi, Luceni Gomez.

Fatma and Ruperto are neighbors and friends who live in Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

Scene 1:

Ruperto: Hey Fatma, how are you ?

Fatma: I am fine, thank you.

Ruperto: Beautiful day to take our children to Sunset Park.

Fatma: Yes. Let's go and play with them.

Ruperto: I am worried because I want to study English. Do you know about any schools ?

Fatma: You can call 311 to get information.

Ruperto: Thank you, Fatma. See you next week.

Fatma: Good luck. Call me and let me know what happens.

Scene 2:

Ruperto: Hello, 311 ? Can you help me find some information about free English classes ? Let me get a pen so I can write down the address. 68th Street and Lexington Ave., Hunter College SPELL Program, Room 1031 HW. Thank you.

Scene 3:

Fatma: Hi Ruperto, did you find the school ?

Ruperto: Of course. Thanks for helping me. I'm going to take the placement test Saturday .

Fatma: My friend, who helps you to have the day free to study ?

Ruperto: My boss gives me the day off. How about you Fatma, do you study English ?

Fatma: Yes, I do. My husband takes care of our child.

Scene 4 :

Ruperto: Hey Fatma. How are you ? What about the test, was it easy ?

Fatma: Yes, it was good for me. How about you ?

Ruperto: I felt comfortable there, but the test was a little difficult for me. In which level are you now ?

Fatma: I'm in level 4, in Room 505.

Ruperto: Oh, yes ? I am in level 4 too .

**Fatma:** That's great. I will see you at Hunter College in the same class next week.

**Ruperto:** Yes, Fatma. Bye, see you there.

### Scene 5:

**Fatma:** Good morning, Ruperto. How are you today ?

**Ruperto:** I'm fine, thank you. I'm happy to see you again.

**Fatma:** Me too. How about the classes ? Do you like our classmates and teachers ?

**Ruperto:** I like them all. The level is easy for me and our teachers speak clearly. How about you ?

**Fatma:** I like our classes too. I have new friends from many different countries and our teachers help us to improve our English.

**Ruperto:** Fatma, why do you study English ?

**Fatma:** I study English because I need to communicate better with American people and make friends. And I could help my children to do their homework and I could find a good job. How about you, Ruperto ?

**Ruperto:** I need to find a better job with a good salary - for myself and my family, and for a great life.

**Fatma:** My friend, do you think the SPELL program will help you to learn English better ?

**Ruperto:** Yes, I do. I feel my English is better now than it was last year. Now I can read books and understand them. I write and speak with my colleagues more clearly. What are your hopes for when you speak English better?

**Fatma:** Oh, that's a good question ! I hope for many things. I hope to continue studying at university, to get a good diploma, and to find a better job in a great company. I hope to have a wonderful life with my family in the U.S.A. Tell me Ruperto, is it hard for you to communicate with people in English ?

**Ruperto:** Oh yes, at the beginning it was very hard for me. When people spoke to me I couldn't understand much, but now it's easy to speak with anybody anywhere. Do you try to work hard to improve your English outside of class ?

**Fatma:** Yes I do, everyday. I try to learn more, I go to the library to read books, the newspaper. I listen to music and I use the computer at home. I always watch T.V. I practice speaking with my family and with other people on the street.

**Ruperto:** That's great. We need to do that. We need to improve our English. So I will try to practice more.



**"Saturday English : Zoila and Martha"**

**Writers : Dulce Sanchez, Ivonne Ortiz, Diana K. Garcia, Zoila Calvopina, Martha Gomez.**

**Zoila and Martha both live in Queens. Their kids go to the same school.**

**Scene 1:**

**Zoila:** Hi Martha. How are you ?



Martha: I'm fine, thank you. How are your kids ?  
 Zoila: My kids are good, but I'm worried about Spring break.  
 They will be at home.  
 Martha: My daughter will be at home too.

Zoila: Did you go to the last Parent Teacher Conference ?  
 Martha: Yes, I did, but I had a big problem because I didn't understand  
 when the teacher spoke to me about my son.  
 Zoila: I had the same problem. Why don't we find information about  
 free English class ?

Martha: Oh, good idea. I know that my neighbor goes to ESL at Hunter  
 College.  
 Zoila: Tell me about it.  
 Martha: My neighbor told me that it is good for anyone who wants to  
 improve their English.

Zoila : That's great. When could we go to Hunter College to get more  
 information ?  
 Martha: What about tomorrow ?  
 Zoila : OK. It's my day off.

Martha: OK. See you tomorrow at 9 am at Queensboro Plaza train station.  
 And we can take the N train to the Lexington Ave. stop, and  
 then the 6 train to Hunter College.

### Scene 2:

Zoila: Hi, Martha. How are you ?  
 Martha: I'm ok.  
 Zoila: Let's go to the SPELL office.  
 Martha: The office is on the 10th floor.

Zoila: Hello ! We would like information about the SPELL Program.  
 Loretta: Welcome to the SPELL Program. This is the application, fill it out  
 and come back next Saturday to take the placement test at  
 9 am.  
 M & Z : Thank you very much and see you next week.

### Scene 3:

Martha: Hi Zoila. Are you ready to take the placement test ?

**Zoila:** Yes I am, but I'm feeling a little nervous.

**Martha:** Me too, but I think it will be easy.

**Scene 4:** ( after the test )

**Zoila:** How was your test ?

**Martha:** It was a little difficult. How about yours ?

**Zoila:** For me it was so hard, especially when the teacher spoke too fast.

**Martha:** Well, classes start next week. Let's come early to check the list to find out what level we are in.

**Scene 5:**

**Zoila:** Hi Martha !

**Martha:** Hi Zoila !

**Zoila:** Did you see the list ?

**Martha:** Not yet .

**Zoila:** Let's go see it.

**Martha:** Oh, we are lucky. We are in level four and in the same class.

**Zoila:** Ok, let's go to class !

**Scene 6:** ( after class )

**Zoila:** Did you like our classes ?

**Martha:** Yes, I did. The teachers spoke clearly and slowly.

**Zoila:** I think so too. What about our classmates ?

**Martha:** They are interesting because they come from different countries and speak other languages.

**Zoila:** Oh, that is true. I think every time we come to class we can learn something from our classmates.

**Martha:** Oh yes. Improving English is good for anybody who wants to accomplish goals in a short time.

**Zoila:** Of course. I think our lives can change in the future because we can get better jobs and have better opportunities.





**"Saturday English : Silvia and Marlon"**

**Writers : Ana Lucero, Nestor Silva, Marlon Bettyna Clavier, Angeles Esparza. Not in picture: Silvia Guevarra, Sandra Alves.**

**Silvia and Marlon live in the Bronx where they met at church.**

**Scene 1:**

**Silvia: Hi Marlon, how are you ?**

**Marlon: I need you to help me .**

**Silvia: What happened ?**

**Marlon: I want to learn English.**

**Silvia: I know a good place. You can learn English for free.**

**Marlon: Where ?**

**Silvia: Hunter College.**

**Marlon: Can you give me the address, please ?**

**Silvia: Of course ! It's 68th Street and Lexington Ave. Hunter College SPELL Program, Room 1031 HW.**

Marlon: Thank you. Tomorrow I will go there and I'll call you when I get back. Silvia, how do you know about this program ?  
 Silvia: My friend Ana studies there.  
 Marlon: That's great ! I'll call you tomorrow.

Scene 2:

Silvia: Hi Marlon. What happened at Hunter ?  
 Marlon: I went to Hunter, I filled out a form, and the lady told me to come back next Saturday at 8:30 am to take the test.  
 Silvia: Good luck on the test. Do you know when classes will start ?  
 Marlon: They start the week after the test.  
 Silvia: I think I want to take classes too. I'm going to Hunter to fill out a form and then I'll go with you to take the test next Saturday.

Scene 3: ( after the first day of classes - on the subway )

Silvia: Is everything okay ?  
 Marlon: Yes, I liked the classes. The teachers explained everything clearly and I understood everything.  
 Silvia: I liked my classes too because I got to practice talking a lot.  
 Marlon: I want to speak English better because I want to get a good job and I want to speak to different people. I want to be a radiologist and I need to speak English so I can do that.  
 Silvia: Oh fantastic ! I'm learning English because I'm looking for a new job too, and I need to help my son with his homework. Also, when I go to the hospital and I speak to the doctor, I don't want to use a translator. It's important in this country for communicating.  
 Marlon: Do you think that SPELL will help us reach our goals ?  
 Silvia: Yes, of course ! What do you think Marlon ?  
 Marlon: Yes, I think so too !  
 Silvia: Ok, see you next week.  
 Marlon: Don't forget to do your homework !  
 Silvia: Ok, bye !





**"Saturday English : Rosa and Micaela"**

**Writers : Rosa Campoverde, Martha Gordillo, Sister Elba Lai, Micaela Velazquez, Luz Ferreras.**

**Rosa and Micaela live in Queens and are best friends.**

**Scene 1:**

**Rosa: Would you like to walk with me around Queens Center Mall ?**

**Micaela: Sure Rosa, I have some time right now.**

**Rosa: Oh ! Micaela I'm so worried. I don't know what to do with my son. He doesn't want to go to school.**

**Micaela: Oh Rosa, I had the same problem with my daughter Nancy before. Now, she is going to school. It's a program called SPELL at Hunter College. She probably will be able to help your son. Here she comes now.**

**Rosa: Micaela, here is my son Roberto too.**



Micaela: Nancy, I want you to meet Rosa's son Roberto.

Rosa: Roberto, I want you to meet Micaela's daughter Nancy.

Micaela: Nancy, I was thinking that you could help Roberto. He is now like you used to be. He doesn't want to go to school. Tell him about the SPELL program.

Nancy: It's wonderful. I couldn't speak or read English. Now I speak and read English very well. Roberto, I'm sure you would love the SPELL program.

Roberto: I'm a little afraid because I don't know how to speak or write very well, but if you say so, I know that I will try. I would really love to learn English. Could you please bring me an application from Hunter College, or could you take me with you next Saturday so that I could register ? Maybe after that we could go out and have dinner and you can help me with my homework. Oh thank you Micaela !

## Scene 2:

Roberto: Hi Nancy. How are you today ?

Nancy: I'm fine thank you.

Roberto: Would you like to eat something ?

Nancy: Ok, I would like a small portion of salad.

Roberto: I'm sorry Nancy, but I would like to talk about the SPELL program. Do you know the address ?

Nancy: Of course. The address is 68th St. and Lexington Ave., Hunter College SPELL Program, Room 1031 HW.

Roberto: When do the classes start ? And what level are you in ?

Nancy: The first class starts on September 11th. Oh, I'm going to be in level 4 because it's easy for me. Roberto, don't forget you need to go to take the placement test.

Roberto: I won't Nancy. Thank you and see you at Hunter College.

**Scene 3:**

**Roberto:** Hello Nancy. I took the placement test last Saturday, but the test wasn't easy for me. I need to go to the first level because I don't understand anything.

**Nancy:** Oh don't worry, Roberto. You will like that class because the teachers will explain everything well and it will be clear.

**Scene 4:**

**Roberto:** Hi, how are you, Nancy ? I'm happy in the first level !

**Nancy:** Yes Roberto, I'm happy too.

**Roberto:** The teacher is very nice. I understand the simple verbs now and I try to speak English. I'll see you soon, Nancy. Thank you very much for your help. I appreciate your time.

**Scene 5:**

**Roberto:** My goals are to finish the SPELL program because I need to get a better job and provide a good future for my children. I want them to be able to get a good education.

**Nancy:** Yes, Roberto. I'm happy because SPELL helped me a lot. I have a good job now and I earn more money. Bye !

**"Saturday English : Consuelo and Elizabeth"**

Consuelo and Elizabeth have children who go to the same school in Queens.

**Scene 1:**

**Consuelo:** Hi, Elizabeth. How are your kids ?

**Elizabeth:** They're okay, thank God !

**Consuelo:** What grade are your kids in ?

**Elizabeth:** My son is in the 5th grade and my daughter is in the 4th. They love this school in Queens.

**Consuelo:** What do you do on the weekends?

**Elizabeth:** I don't do anything. I stay at home.

**Consuelo:** Do you know about the Hunter College SPELL Program ?

**Elizabeth:** No, I don't.

**Consuelo:** I study at Hunter College. Would you like to come too ?  
**Elizabeth:** Oh sure ! I would like to because my English is not good.  
But, I have a problem. I need to find someone to take care  
of my kids.  
**Consuelo:** I know a babysitter, maybe she can help you. Do you have a pen ?  
I'll give you her phone number.  
**Elizabeth:** Okay, tell me her number.  
**Consuelo:** The number is 347-999-9999. Call me and tell me if she can  
help you out.  
**Elizabeth:** Thanks, I'll call you later.



**"Saturday English : Consuelo and Elizabeth"**

**Writers :** Rosa Maliza, Arcadio Lucero, Min De Qing, Elizabeth Montejo,  
Consuelo Molina.

**Scene 2:**

**Babysitter:** Hello ?



**Elizabeth:** Hi, my name is Elizabeth. Consuelo told me about you. I would like to know if you can take care of my kids on Saturdays.

**Babysitter:** Yes, I can.

**Elizabeth:** Great ! I need someone to take care of them on Saturdays from 8 am to 5 pm. I really appreciate it !

**Babysitter:** No problem.

**Scene 3:**

**Elizabeth:** Consuelo, I called the babysitter and she can take care of my kids. Thanks for that. Can you give me the school's address ?

**Consuelo:** The school is located at 68th Street and Lexington Ave., Hunter College SPELL Program, Room 1031 HW. The phone number is 212-772-4620.

**Elizabeth:** I'll go there on Saturday to fill out the forms and I'll ask about the date for the placement test.

**Scene 4:**

**Consuelo:** Hi Elizabeth, how are you today ? Are you ready for the test ?

**Elizabeth:** I'm so nervous ! I'll let you know what happens.

**Consuelo:** Of course !

**Scene 5:**

**Consuelo:** How was your test ?

**Elizabeth:** It wasn't too hard for me, but I didn't understand some of the words.

**Consuelo:** Do you know what level you are in ?

**Elizabeth:** No, I don't know yet. I need to wait for Hunter College to send me a letter that lets me know when classes begin. I'll find out my level on the first day.

**Consuelo:** Right ! That's how it was my first time too.

**Scene 6:** ( Elizabeth and Consuelo meet at school. )

**Consuelo:** How was your English class ?

**Elizabeth:** It was good !

**Consuelo:** What did you like about it ?

**Elizabeth:** I liked learning English grammar, reading and writing.

**Consuelo:** Are you happy to be a student at SPELL ?

**Elizabeth:** Yes, I am !

**Consuelo:** What are your goals for learning English ?

**Elizabeth:** My goal is for a successful life in the future.

**Consuelo:** Do you believe SPELL will help us with our language learning goals ?

**Elizabeth:** Yes, I do ! It's useful to have better communication skills with other people who speak English.

