



Sales Coverage Problem 2

I. Express Yourself



II. Vocabulary

Read and familiarize yourself with the following word/s or phrases.

priority

implement

candor

replacement

hesitate

III. Conversation Practice

Practice the conversation with your teacher by doing a role play.

Mr. Harris: Sure. Basically, he's been very slow to call us with important market information. We don't feel like he's making us a priority. Also, he hasn't given us any good trading strategies that we can implement.

Steve: I understand. I know this was a difficult call for you to make and I appreciate your candor. Let me think about the situation and find a proper replacement for you.

Mr. Harris: Thanks very much. I did hesitate to make this call. As I said, Richard is a nice guy and maybe a good salesperson. It's nothing personal but he's not right for us.

Steve: I'll make sure he understands that. I have a few ideas. How about I give you a call Monday with some suggestions?

Mr. Harris: That would be fine. I really appreciate you taking the time to address this.

Steve: It's my pleasure. You're a very important client for us and I want to make sure we do the best for you. I'll talk to you Monday. Have a good weekend.

Mr. Harris: You, too.

Comprehension Check

- 1. Why is Mr. Harris complaining?
- 2. According to Mr. Harris, is Richard a good salesperson?
- 3. When are Steve and Mr. Harris going to talk again?



I appreciate your candor.	- I appreciate/Thanks for your		
	frankness.		
	- I appreciate/Thanks for your		
	openness.		
He's not right for us.	- He's not best for us.		
	 He's not suited for us. 		
	 He's not desirable for us. 		
	 He's not suitable for us. 		
It's my pleasure.	- My pleasure.		
	- You're welcome.		
	- No problem.		
	- Sure.		
	- Anytime.		
	 It was nothing. 		
	- You bet.		
	- No sweat.		

IV. Exercises

Exercise A

Vocabulary Building

Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box.

	priority imple:	nent candor	replacement	hesitate	
1.	. I need to find a for my old bag.				
2.	means talking to someone directly and honestly.				
3.	Please don't to call me when you have a problem.				
4.	. My is my family because they are very important to me.				
5.	. The management will	a new policy	for the bettermen	t of the company.	

Exercise B

Answer the questions, and give your reason for each of the items below.

Think about the material things you own at the moment. Would you like to replace/change them? Why or why not?

phone
a specific dress/t-shirt
a specific pair of shoes
television
bed

Exercise C

The following are the reasons for someone's demotion at work. Practice with your teacher by telling him/her these reasons in a polite and professional way.

- 1. An employee displays rude and unprofessional behavior.
- 2. An employee doesn't have much skills and knowledge in his assigned task.
 - 3. An employee is always late and absent from work.
 - 4. An employee couldn't finish his tasks by the deadline.

ROLEPLAY

Your friend was replaced by someone else to do his/her job. How will you comfort him/her?

