

English

Quick Activity

STUDIO C - Ed edited it

1. Read following transcript of a sketch out loud – best to take turns.

Transcript

Boss: Today's paper is an absolute mess! There are mistakes all up and down this copy! Who edited it?

Prue: *Ed did. Ed edited it.*

Boss: Ed did? Ed edited it? Ed?

Fred: *Yep, Ed edited it.*

Boss: Ed edited it? Ed did?

Futtah: *Ed did. Ed edited it.*

Ed: Alright so I edited it! I did edit it. Ed edited it, ed edited it! But is wasn't my column!

Boss: *Well who's column was it?*

Jessica: Colin. It was Colin's column.

Boss: *It was Colin's column?*

Ed: Yep, Colin's column.

Boss: *But where is Colin?*

Fred: He called in.

Boss: *Call him, Call Colin about his column.*

Fred: Colin? Your column. Says he didn't write it.

Boss: *Well who wrote Colin's column?*

Fred: Rita.

Boss: *Rita wrote Colin's column?*

Fred: Right. Rita wrote it. Wait. Rita wrote it right? Right.

Boss: *So the reader read Rita's writeup?*

Fred: Right.

- Boss:** *Well where's Rita?*
- Rita:** Here. Yeah I wrote it. But I didn't proof read it.
- Boss:** *Well who proof read it?*
- Rita:** Prue and Fred.
- Boss:** *Prue and Fred proof read?*
- Rita:** Prue and Fred proof rea.
- Boss:** *Prue. Fred. You proof read?*
- Prue:** Yeah we did. We did!
- Fred:** *Prue and Fred proof read what we had.*
- Prue:** But the photos were bad.
- Boss:** *Well who's photos were they?*
- Ed:** Jessica's. They're Jessica's photos.
- Boss:** *Jessica's... Jessica's photos? Je-Jessica's photoooooos....I don't like that. This office works best when things are fast and rhymey. Jessica, you're fired.*
- Futtah, you're promoted. Futtah's photos. Much better, right? Futtah's photos.*
- Alright, enough of this blame game! We're a team. The team team edited it and the team can team edit our way out.*
- Ed re-edit Colin's column on Porter's reporting that Rita wrote and Prue and Fred proof read.*
- Leia, layout Futtah's photos that Mark and Ted marketed. Prince will print what Sal will sell. Dale. Eva. Get ready to deliver.*
- Got it?*
- It said got it?*
- Rita:** Oh, Amber! Lance! Call the ...medic... is that not...
- Ah OK, I quit, I am sorry.

2. Now watch the sketch and answer following questions

<https://youtu.be/zM0aTYzbxHk>

a. What is the setting of the sketch?

The setting is a busy newspaper office where a team of writers, editors, and other staff members are working on putting together a publication.

b. Who are the main characters and what is their job? What went wrong?

Name	Job
<i>Boss</i>	<i>The leader of the newspaper office</i>
<i>Ed</i>	<i>The editor</i>
<i>Colin</i>	<i>The columnist</i>
<i>Rita</i>	<i>The writer</i>
<i>Prue and Fred</i>	<i>The proof readers</i>
<i>Jessica</i>	<i>The photographer</i>
<i>Futtah</i>	<i>The new photo editor</i>

Ed: He is responsible for managing the editing process.

Colin: His column was part of the problem.

Rita: She wrote Colin's column but didn't proofread it.

Prue and Fred: They checked the work but missed mistakes.

Jessica: Her photos were not up to standard.

Futtah: She is the new photo editor promoted to fix Jessica's mistakes.

c. What is the key problem or situation?

The key problem is that the latest edition of the newspaper is full of mistakes, and the boss is trying to figure out who is responsible while managing the chaos in the office.

- d. In the last scene, what should Rita have said instead of 'medic'?

She addressed Amber and Lance to call the medic, but to stay consistent with the rhyming of the sketch she should have said: Amber and Lance, call an ambulance.

- e. What was the resolution (if any)?

There is no real resolution. The boss gives out tasks to fix the mistakes collectively but becomes overwhelmed with the chaos and eventually passes out.

3. Rewrite

Scenario: The team is working on a new issue of the newspaper, and they need to ensure everything is correct before publishing. Mistakes from the last issue have caused tension, so this time they are determined to do better.

What could each character say to solve the problem?

Possible solution:

Boss:

"Alright, team! Let's make sure this issue is perfect. Rita, have you finished writing your column?"

Rita (Writer):

"Yes, I wrote it, but I haven't proofread it yet. I'll need someone to double-check."

Prue (Proofreader):

"Don't worry, Rita. Fred and I will proofread it right away. Fred, are you ready?"

Fred (Proofreader):

"Got it, Prue. Let's make sure there are no errors this time!"

Jessica (Photographer):

"I've submitted my photos for the layout. Futtah, can you check if they fit the theme?"

Futtah (Photo Editor):

"Sure, Jessica. I'll re-edit the photos if necessary to ensure they match the article."

Ed (Editor):

"Good teamwork! Let's make sure everything flows smoothly. Remember, this is our chance to redeem ourselves!"