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SERIES: "MY RELATIONSHIPS", EP 3

SCENE - AT THE SHOP - AT RITHA'S - DURING THE DAY 9:00 AM

Ritha advises Cynthia to watch out for people who might want to take advantage of her using gifts.

LEARNING OBJECTIVE: Young people and caregivers learn about healthy relationships. Adolescents learn how to make good relationship choices and how to protect themselves.

INTENDED AUDIENCE: Young people and parents/caregivers.

SFX: THE SOUND OF BIRDS AND RAVENS

1. RITHA: Cynthia come closer; help me carry these boxes.
2. CYNTHIA: Oh, what's in there...it's so heavy!
3. RITHA: It's the pots that I sell. Look for a place to put your phone so you don't break it.

4. CYNTHIA: No, it's okay, I will hold it.
5. RITHA: You won't be comfortable lifting boxes like that. Look, put it on that chair.
6. CYNTHIA: No, Ritha, I don't want your employees to take it and start looking into my stuff. Last time, they read my messages.
7. RITHA: So, is what I heard them say true? Is there a sugar daddy that you are going out with?
8. CYNTHIA: (TRYING TO DITCH THE SUBJECT) Yeaaah, nooo. They lied to you.
9. RITHA: Cynthia, tell me the truth. You know you are like a daughter to me.
10. CYNTHIA: Well, the truth is we are not in love. It's just that he buys me a few things that I need.
11. RITHA: Like what?
12. CYNTHIA: Like body lotion, clothes, shoes, some things that are trendy, you know.
13. RITHA: And? What happens after?
14. CYNTHIA: Huh, what? Nothing happens.
15. RITHA: Uh? Doesn't he ask you for anything?
16. CYNTHIA: Well, you know, we just hang out and talk.
17. RITHA: Aw, no! Cynthia, that's wrong. You hear me?
18. CYNTHIA: I knew you were going to say that... I am not surprised. I need some trendy stuff and he gives me exactly that.
19. RITHA: Having trendy stuff won't improve your life now, will it?
20. CYNTHIA: You don't know that.
21. RITHA: I do, actually. What do you think is gonna happen when he gets what he wants from you?? Plus, you have a boyfriend!

Cynthia KEEPS QUIET

22. RITHA: He'll just throw you away like a broken plate. Or, his wife will!
23. CYNTHIA: How come you seem to know a lot about it, anyway?
24. RITHA: I've seen it happen before. If he's a creep, he may even force himself on you, he can rape you.
25. CYNTHIA: (UTTERS A SOUND OF SADNESS) I never thought of that...What should I do? I don't have any other way to get stuff.

26. RITHA: What does he have that you can't get yourself if you wanted?
You are capable.
27. CYNTHIA: I don't know...
28. RITHA: Yes, you can achieve whatever you set your mind to, if you work
for it.
29. CYNTHIA: (SIGHS) Thanks, Ritha. It's hard to hear this, but you're being
a good friend.
30. RITHA: It's okay. And if you choose to keep seeing this man, just
protect yourself, okay?
31. CYNTHIA: What do you mean?
32. RITHA: Use a condom, and make sure you're in a safe space with your
phone near you so you can call for help if he gets aggressive.
33. CYNTHIA: You've given me a lot to think about. Thanks.

THE END