HANDOUT R: WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY STORIES—WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

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Story #1: You work in a factory that is very noisy. It is so loud you can't hear people talking right next to you. You have been given ear plugs to wear, but they don't fit right and they hurt when you wear them. You want to have special earmuffs that fit over your ears instead.

What is the problem here? What should you do?

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Story #2: You work in an office. Your boss tells you to copy several items, then run an errand, and then gather a bunch of supplies. She talks quickly and you don't understand what she wants.

What is the problem here? What should you do?

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Story #3: You work at a used clothing store. You sort clothes and other donations. The clerk you work with says you aren't working fast enough and keeps giving you dirty looks, making you feel really bad.

What is the problem here? What should you do?

Story #4: You work at a hardware store with many coworkers of different ages. One of your coworkers who is older than you likes to gossip about another coworker behind her back. You are not comfortable talking about people behind their back because you think it is mean.

What is the problem here? What should you do?

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