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CAST

JANET RILEY: An active woman in her 60s.

DAVID RILEY: A couch potato retiree in his late 60s.

PHONE VOICE/REP: Female, any age.

Place:

The living room of DAVID and JANET's home.

Time:

Present day.

Setting: The living room of JANET and DAVID's house. Setting can be represented by a small table and a chair.

At Rise: DAVID is seated, channel surfing with a TV remote. A table with a laptop computer, telephone or cell phone, small pad of paper, pen, and telephone book are next to the chair. JANET enters carrying a basket of dirty laundry.

JANET: David, I just checked on the website and the bank isn't showing our mortgage refinance note yet. Could you call them and check?

DAVID: Why can't you do it?

JANET: I'm busy with laundry. And you said you'd check on it, so just call, OK?

DAVID: What's the number?

JANET: I don't know. You'll have to look it up. Just bring up the website and look under 'Contact Us.'

DAVID: Why didn't you just go ahead and do it?

JANET: Look up the number?

DAVID: Get the number while you were on the site and call the bank.

JANET: Because you said you'd do it and I've got a lot to do.

DAVID: Like laundry?

JANET: And other stuff.

DAVID: The laundry can wait.

JANET: Yes, it can, if you want to wear your ripped jeans to Mark's tonight. All your other pairs are in the wash.

DAVID: Mark won't mind if my jeans are ripped.

JANET: No, but Loni will and so will I. Those jeans are almost obscene.

DAVID: They're ventilated. Great for working outdoors.

JANET: My point exactly. Just look up the number and make the call, OK?

DAVID: Fine! *(types into laptop, then picks up phone and dials as JANET exits)*

VOICE: *(from offstage)* Welcome to Any Name Credit Union. Please listen carefully as our menu has changed. Por espanol, marque dos. If you know your party's extension, please enter it now. For banking, press or say one; for insurance, press or say two; for investments, press or say three; for loans, press or say four; for all other departments, press or say seven. If you would like to hear this menu again, press star.

DAVID: Four.

VOICE: For auto loans, press or say one; for mortgage loans, press or say two; for consumer loans, press or say eight.

DAVID: Two.

VOICE: If you are calling about a new mortgage loan, press or say one. If you are calling about a mortgage application in process, press or say two. If you are calling about an existing mortgage, press or say three. If you know your loan processor's five digit extension, you may enter it now.

DAVID: Two—ah--three.

VOICE: I'm sorry, I did not understand your response. If you are calling about a new mortgage loan, press or say one. If you are calling about a mortgage application in process...

DAVID: (*interrupting*) Three.

VOICE: Please enter or say your eight-digit member number.

DAVID: Darn! (*shouts to JANET*) Janet, what's our member number?

JANET: (*from offstage*) 26709672.

DAVID: (*into phone*) 26706972.

VOICE: I'm sorry. This is not a valid number. Please enter or say your eight-digit member number.

DAVID: (*shouts to JANET*) Janet, what was that number again.

JANET: (*from offstage*) 26709672.

DAVID: 2670--what? Wait, I need to write this down. (*hunts for pencil and paper*) OK, what is it again?

JANET: (*from offstage*) 26709672.

DAVID: 26709762?

JANET: (*from offstage, slowly*) 26709672.

DAVID: (*into phone*) 26709672.

VOICE: One moment while we locate your information.

END OF FREEVIEW

You'll want to read and perform this show!