

### The Overheard Conversation Script Assignment

For this assignment, you are going to eavesdrop on any conversation between two or more people and record it verbatim. The people can be friends, family or strangers in a public setting. If you know that you are going to 'listen in' on conversations between family and/or friends, you **must inform them that at some point you will be recording them**. Follow the following guidelines when you create your script:

- Your script should be limited to 1-4 pages (a 2-3 minute conversation)
- Try to limit the conversations to two voices.
- You can use a recording device or make detailed notes.
- Include stage directions about setting (in detail).
- Record movements and gestures in brackets (including facial expressions).
- Use punctuation to indicate speech patterns. For example:
  - Ellipses (...) = pauses
  - Dash (--) = breaks in mid-sentence
  - Slashes (/) = overlapping conversations
  - Commas(,) = short breath
  - Semicolon (;)Period(.) = long breath

**Make sure your script is typed or printed neatly so others can read it.**