

INTERVIEWING SKILLS
CLIENT SCENARIO B

My name is James / Jane Jones.

I live in Stoke.

About three weeks ago, I lent my car to my friend Bob. He said he needed the car to go visit his mother who was very ill. He said she lived in Devon, but I am not sure exactly where.

The car is a new Mercedes C Class saloon, belonging to my employers. I have only had the car for four months. I have not informed them that I have lent the car to Bob.

I am getting concerned because I have not heard from Bob since he left, and he has failed to answer any of my calls. I have left messages on his voicemail but have not had any calls back, despite my stressing the urgency of the situation.

Bob and I did have a casual relationship, but it was nothing serious, and he is certainly not long-term material! He doesn't have a job, and smokes cannabis regularly.

In fact the reason I have not called the police is because I am afraid if they stop the car with him in it, there would be a strong chance they would find drugs of some sort in the car, which could put me in trouble. Also, my employers will then find out that I have lent him the car, which is against our company's policy.

I have been taking the bus to work the past three weeks, but am slightly worried as some of my colleagues have started noticing that my car is not in the car park. I told them I was trying to lose weight by walking to the bus stop [New Year's resolution and all that], but I don't think they really believe me.

I don't really want to get Bob into trouble, but I don't want to get into trouble myself.