COMPLAINING ABOUT A CO-WORKER

ENGLISH BELL online

Conversation:

Ken: Hey, Mitch. Do you have a minute?

Mitch: Sure. What's up?

Ken: <u>Are you familiar with Amy</u>? I actually lent her a hand last week. I was about to go home last Friday afternoon when I noticed her working on something. She was actually after a deadline.

Mitch: And so? What about her?

Ken: Well, thanks to me! She finished what she has to do and got the promotion for a job well done.

Mitch: Good for her. <u>I think there's nothing wrong with that.</u>

Ken: I agree. There's nothing wrong with the promotion if only she acknowledge my effort. <u>But the problem with her is that</u> she claimed to the manager that she was the only one who finished the entire project! <u>I don't think</u> she does her own work. She goes around asking everyone to do a portion of her work and says she did it all?!

Mitch: Now, that makes sense! Why haven't you tried to approach her about this matter? Or even tell the manager about it?

Ken: <u>Is the management blind or am I being too sensitive about this</u>?

Mitch: I think you really do have a point. It's about time for everyone to know about this.

Ken: No, <u>that's the least of my concern</u>. The reason I told you about this matter is for you to be aware of. If you have to work with Amy, remember the things I told you.

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USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

*Are you familiar with Amy?
*I think there's nothing wrong with that.
*But the problem with her/him is that...
*I don't think…
*Is the management blind or am I too sensitive about this?
*That's the least of my concern.

LET'S TALK

1.Did you have any similar experience with Ken? If yes, tell something about it.

2. If you were Ken, what would you do? Why?

3. This situation is common at the workplace. How do you deal with such situation?

4. If you badly need a promotion, would you do the same way as what Amy did?

ACTIVITY

@ Make a conversation with your teacher. Complain about your co-worker who tried to steal your idea of the commercial design. Use the expressions above.