

Question 1 – One Hour

Abby and Bobo were childhood friends. They dreamed of joining the circus after high school. The day after graduation, they packed up and set out on foot to find a circus to join. Bobo had no money, but Abby convinced Bobo that she had plenty.

On the first day of their adventure, Abby told Bobo to follow and watch her back while they went into CalMart to get some food and drinks. Bobo was not certain what he was watching for, but feared that Abby may have theft on her mind. Bobo watched as Abby placed several burritos and a bottle of tequila down the front of her pants. As they hurried toward the front door, Calvin, the owner, gave chase. As Calvin got closer, the bottle of tequila fell from Abby's pants causing Calvin to slip onto the broken glass. Calvin was a hemophiliac and bled to death within minutes after being cut by the glass.

On the second day of their adventure, Bobo asked Abby to buy him a cup of coffee. Abby confessed that she was broke, but just then she could see a pot of coffee brewing through a residential kitchen window. She told Bobo that this was her Aunt Diane's house and they were invited in for coffee. Abby quietly opened the front door for her and Bobo and poured two cups of coffee. Edna, the bipolar resident came into the kitchen and said "What are you two cow clowns doing in my barn? Thinking that Edna was Aunt Diane, Bobo reached out to shake her hand. In a delusional state, Edna thought that Bobo was a cow trying to kick her, and threw the pot of hot coffee at Bobo. The coffee caused a serious burn to Bobo's chest. Bobo and Abby ran from the house.

On the third day, Bobo and Abby found the Circus. Abby lied and told the Ringmaster that she was a marksman knife thrower. Bobo lied and told Ringmaster that she was a world class clown. Ringmaster then asked Bobo to put on a clown costume and stand against a wall to allow Abby to demonstrate her knife throwing skills. Scared, but wanting to join the circus, Bobo agreed. The first knife thrown by Abby barely missed Bobo. The second one however, cut off her left ear. Bobo screamed and ran in her new costume, vowing to quit the circus forever. Abby was hired on the spot as long as she agreed to cut the ear off other clowns. She too, quit and joined Bobo.

What crime or crimes were committed by the parties, if any? Answer at common and modern law.

Question 2 – One Hour

Zimmer lived in a gated residential community. Many of the resident's homes had been recently burglarized. Zimmer, a "wannabe" cop, agreed to be the neighborhood watch.

One night Zimmer saw Trevor walking through the neighborhood eating candy. Fearing that he had burglarized a house and stole the candy, Zimmer approached him and ordered him at gun point to stop. Trevor was actually visiting his grandmother who lived in the community and was taking a walk after she gave him candy. Fearing that Zimmer was going to shoot him, Trevor threw the candy at Zimmer. Zimmer slipped and fell to the ground. While Trevor reached to help him up, Zimmer grabbed Trevor's arm and pulled him down. As Trevor fell onto Zimmer, Zimmer's firearm accidentally discharged, killing Trevor instantly.

Trevor's grandmother, Mary heard the shot and ran from her home toward Zimmer and Trevor. Extremely intoxicated, she stumbled toward Trevor's lifeless body. Stunned, she kicked Zimmer, grabbed his firearm, and ran back toward her home to get some more alcohol.

Mary opened the door, went in and guzzled a bottle of vodka. In her intoxicated state, she entered Bob's house by mistake. When Bob saw Mary in his house, he assumed that she was the neighborhood burglar, and whacked her in the head with a frying pan. The hit from the pan did not phase her. She thought that Bob had entered her house to rape her. To avoid additional injury or rape, she aimed toward Bob with Zimmer's firearm. The bullet missed Bob, but hit and killed Clover, Bob's prized pet cow.

What crime or crimes have been committed by the parties? Answer at common and modern law.