

**BUSINESS ETHICS WORKSHEET**

1. Jose works for a fast-food chain. When he took the job he signed an agreement that he would never give free food to anyone. Last week his sister and two of her girlfriends came in and told him they were starving. He gave them \$15 worth of free food.
2. Jessica works in an office and needed some office supplies for her son's scout troop. The company had just received a large shipment of the kind of supplies she needed. She took \$20 worth of supplies and gave them to the troop.
3. Omar works for a marketing company and uses the office phone to make personal long distance calls during office hours. Omar is an excellent account executive and brings a lot of business into the company. His personal phone charges are about \$30 a month, but he doesn't offer to pay for his personal calls.
4. Norma works as a cashier at a clothing store. She notices that one of the other employees is not charging her friends full price for some clothes. Sometimes the other employee puts things in their bags for which they have not paid. The boss approaches Norma and asks her if she has noticed anything going on with this employee and promises to keep it confidential. Norma says she hasn't seen anything.
5. Pete wants to work in a large home improvement store. His cousin says there is an opening in the stock room. Pete applies for the job and gets it. After working there for a month his cousin calls him aside and tells him that he can make a lot more money. He just has to load extra supplies on certain trucks and he can pocket the cash the customers give him. Pete's cousin tells him everyone is in on it, even the boss. Nobody has gotten caught and they knew that they could trust him not to say anything.

**Discussion Questions**

1. Did the employees behave properly? Explain why you feel this way.
2. What alternatives did the employee have?
3. Should the employee be truthful with his or her boss about what was happening?
4. What might happen if the boss found out?
5. If the boss found out, what do you think he or she should do about the situation?
6. What would you do if you were the boss?
7. What would you do if you were the employee?