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## **Scheduler's Nightmare**

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Theme: Taking time out of a hectic, busy work schedule to pay attention to one another.

Scene: On a small table sits a couple of calendars, electronic organizers, and a laptop. (If you can, use fake or mock items.) This house is like a well-oiled machine. Life is run by the schedulers and calendars they keep. No one looks at each other while talking. Bob is sitting at the small table drinking coffee. Carin walks in.

People: 2

Carin: Mornin'

Bob: Mornin'

Carin: So where are we on the grand opening of the restaurant?

Bob: Let me check the checklist. (*Looks at laptop on table, Carin looks at electronic organizer.*)

Carin: Okay, let's calibrate. (*These following lines are said rapidly, one after the other.*)

Bob: Announcements?

Carin: Written.

Bob: Newspaper?

Carin: Contacted.

Bob: Walls?

Carin: Painted.

Bob: Staff?

Carin: Hired.

Bob: Tables?

Carin: Setup.

Bob: Supplies?

Carin: Ordered.

Bob: Delivery?

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Carin: Friday.

Bob: Refrigerator?

Carin: *(Pause, looks up)* Refrigerator?

Bob: We were supposed to have the refrigerator installed tomorrow.

Carin: Tomorrow? That's not on my schedule. Hold on; let me check my planner. *(Looks at book-type calendar.)*

Bob: Hang on, let me beam it over to you. *(Points his electronic organizer at Carin's.)*

Carin: HOLD IT! Conflict!

Bob: Conflict?

Carin: Gotta take Danny to the Orthodontist during that time. By the way, where is Danny?

Bob: Uh, *(Checks computer.)* had to go to school early.

Carin: *(Looking at her electronic organizer.)* Oh yeah, here it is. Do you want some more coffee? *(Puts her electronic organizer on the table.)*

Bob: Oh sure. Thanks. *(As Carin is pouring the coffee, she spills the whole pot over all the electronic equipment and paper schedulers.)*

Carin: OH NO!!!

Bob: DON'T JUST STAND THERE! GET SOME TOWELS!

Carin: HURRY! GET THE COMPUTER OUT OF THERE!

Bob: I got it!

Carin: The ink in the scheduler's all smeared, it's ruined!

Bob: The computer is fried.

Carin: MY ORGANIZER IS SOAKED!!

Bob: Now dear, don't worry, we have everything backed up...

Carin: The backups are on the laptop you moron!!!! *(Panics.)* OUR SCHEDULES ARE DESTROYED!! THERE'S NO MORE ORGANIZATION!

Bob: Hang on, now. We can work our way through this.

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Carin: I JUST KNOW I'M SUPPOSED TO BE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT NOW, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS. THERE'S NO ORGANIZER TO TELL ME WHAT TO DO, **WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO SAY!!!!...**

Bob: (*Slaps Carin.*)

Carin: (*Shocked and indignant.*) YOU SLAPPED ME!

Bob: Calm down. We can work this out.

Carin: How? How will we live? Our lives have been severed!!

Bob: Maybe for once we can live our lives without being ruled by calendars and electronic scheduling devices.

Carin: Is that possible?

Bob: People used to do it all the time. Now let's just talk about what we have to do.  
(*Both start to look at each other.*)

Carin: Tomorrow the refrigerator is going to come.

Bob: I can take care of that. You don't need to be there.

Carin: Right, I'm going to take Danny to the Orthodontist.

Bob: Danny needed braces?

Carin: I guess so, it was on our calendars.

Bob: Do we have any pictures of him before he got braces?

Carin: I'm sure we do. Did you shave your mustache?

Bob: Yeah. About a month ago. Did you cut your hair? I like it.

Carin: Thank you, I thought I would try something different.

Bob: You know, this is nice.

Carin: Yeah, this is.

Bob: Maybe we needed to slow down a little and start enjoying each other again.

Carin: (*Starts to leave with Bob.*) That's the best idea I've heard, and I don't even need to schedule it.