

Barry is emptying the dishwasher, taking out the plates and stacking them in a cupboard.

Enter Mum

- MUM** Why are you emptying the dishwasher? It's Kerry's turn. It says so on the rota.
- BARRY** I know. But she's paying me to do it instead. I've done all her chores this week. She's giving me £5.
- MUM** That's not on. You're all meant to take turns. That's the whole point. Kerry!

Enter Kerry

- KERRY** Yeah?
- MUM** What's this about you paying Barry to do your chores?
- KERRY** What's the problem? Now I've got a Saturday job, I don't need the money so much. So I keep £5 and give the other £5 to him.
- MUM** That's hardly fair. The whole point of having a rota for chores is that you take turns.
- KERRY** The whole point for me is I get £10 extra a week. And now I'd rather have £5 less and not have to do the chores.
- MUM** But Barry's not your slave. You should do your own chores.
- BARRY** I'm not her slave. You're only a slave if you don't get paid. I'm getting £5. I'd rather have the money and do more chores. I can't a Saturday job because I'm not old enough, so it makes sense.
- MUM** I just don't think it's fair to pay someone else so you can get out of doing something.
- KERRY** But you did. I mean, you always used to empty the dishwasher and everything else before you paid us to do it. And now I'm paying Barry.
- BARRY** And I get Jerry to feed the guinea pigs. I think they stink but he enjoys it, and he does it for 50p.
- MUM** He's only six, Barry! He's not on the rota.
- BARRY** I've given him a rota of his own. Every day it says "guinea pigs" and "Jerry's job", and then there's a picture of a 50p at the end of the week. It makes him feel really grown up. I'm teaching him the value of hard work.
- MUM** You're hard work, both of you. So that means you're making a profit on feeding the guinea pigs and I'm paying Kerry £5 to do nothing at all.
- KERRY** The dishwasher still gets emptied. I'm happy, Barry's happy, Jerry's happy, the guinea pigs are happy. What's the problem?