

TRANSCRIPT 5

“Course Progress & Attendance Reporting”

FADE IN:

Setting: School Library

John is working in the library at one of the computers, and Judy sees him and goes over to talk to him

JUDY

Hi John, I wondered where you were, I went to get a hot chocolate and you weren't working today? Don't you usually work Thursdays?

JOHN

No, not anymore, I am trying to work on this assignment. I have a few other assignments to finish at the moment.

JUDY

Me too. Hey did you know that Rafi is going home? We are having a farewell dinner for him this weekend. Do you want to come?

JOHN

Yes that would be good, why is he going home? He hasn't finished his course yet.

JUDY

He missed too many classes. The school tried to help him a while ago - they must under **The National Code** - but Rafi just ignored his teachers, ignored the rule at his college that you have to attend at least 80% of your classes.

JOHN

I heard he didn't even go to his exams. What did the college do?

JUDY

The college sent him an **official letter** saying they intended to cancel his enrolment. They said, under the rules, they must report him to Immigration.

JOHN

Wooo, that is serious.

JUDY

The letter said he had **20 working days** to write to the college **to appeal against their decision**. He made two appeals but he lost and his visa was

cancelled.

JOHN

It must have been a shock for his parents when he told them. It's different at University isn't it? We don't have the same attendance rules here.

JUDY

That's right it is different, but we can receive an **official letter** for **poor course progress**.

JOHN

I struggled with my studies at first and got a letter from the University about poor course progress. I spoke to the **student support officer** and he came up with some ideas to help me.

JUDY

I remember. But you do need to speak up and get help - before you get too far behind in your studies.

JOHN

That's true. I got help from my **course coordinator**, and my **lecturer** made a special study plan to help me catch up. We also discussed other things I could do to help me catch up.

JUDY

That was great. What did you decide?

JOHN

I cut my shifts at the coffee shop and you know, now I have done that, I can see how working so many hours was taking up too much of my study time.

JUDY

I will miss your hot chocolates John, but it's better that you do well in your course.

JOHN

Yes! And now I'd better get back to this assignment.

FADE OUT:

The End