

Role Conflicts

Name: _____

Sasha is a SENIOR in high school this year. She is only taking four classes and will graduate at mid-term. Since Sasha has a lot of time on her hands when her classes are over for the day, she decided to get a job. Sasha works part-time at Jiffy Lube.

She decided to work at Jiffy Lube because she is somewhat interested in pursuing Automotive Technology. At first, she did not tell her mom where she was working. Sasha does not think her mom will understand why she wants to work with cars. Her mom is an "over the top" diva. She always has her hair and nails done and make up on. Sasha thinks she is too girly to truly appreciate her love for mechanics. Sasha eventually told her that she was "just answering phones" at Jiffy Lube not working on cars. Her mom was THRILLED and told her that she is the perfect sweet girl for the job because all pretty girls should be the first "thing" customers see.

One day, Sasha's mom happened to come to Jiffy Lube to get her oil changed. When she pulled up, Sasha came out in her "coveralls". They were both surprised to see each other. Sasha and her mom immediately started arguing with one another about the "work situation".

Think Time:

First, think of the "role expectations" that Sasha's mother has for her daughter and Sasha has for her mother.

Expectations of Sasha: _____

Expectations of Mother: _____

Are these two in a ROLE CONFLICT? Why or why not? _____

Is either one of the women stereotyping? Why or why not? _____

What do you think the two need to do to resolve this issue? _____

**Have you ever been in a “role conflict” with a parent, friend, partner, etc?
Share the “conflict”. How did you resolve it? Or if you have not, what do you
think you could do to make the “conflict” better (share what you might say or
do)? _____**
