"I can’t talk now. I’m in a meeting."

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**Parental Rights**
A third-grade student, who was standing in the hallway reading a poster announcing the fall festival, stopped me to ask if adults were allowed to come. “Of course they are,” I replied. “Why do you ask?” He said, “Because the poster says: ‘Parents Free.’”

Gregory A. Hill, Assistant Principal
Powhatan Elementary School
Powhatan, Virginia

**It’s All Greek to Me**
My elementary school population is 16 percent ESL. A parent told me the following story about her son in broken English:

When my son entered kindergarten last year, he didn’t speak any English. After about six weeks, he was talking in English all the time.

I said to him in our home language, “Michael, you are speaking English!”

He looked at me, and said in our home language, “Of course; I go to school.”

I said, again in our home language, “What are you saying?”

He said, in our home language, “I don’t know. It’s English!”

Katherine Ralston, Principal
North River Elementary School
Mount Solon, Virginia

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**What’s My Job Again?**
As a part of our daily routine, the assistant principal and I visit the lunchroom and talk to students during lunchtime. One day, a kindergartner looked up at the assistant principal and said, “Mr. Schneider, I was just wondering, where do you work?”

Sharon Moritz, Principal
G.T. Norman Elementary School
Reed City, Michigan

**Juicy Fruit**
When walking through the building at our school, kindergarten teachers often ask students to “find their bubble,” which helps them to keep quiet while in line. To make their bubble, the children puff up their cheeks with air and put their index finger on their lips.

One day, a student who was having a particularly frustrating day was the only student walking in line without a bubble. When I asked him, “Where’s your bubble?” he replied sullenly, “It burst.”

Jeanne Hackney, Assistant Principal
Oak Grove Elementary School
Acworth, Georgia

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“’I brought with me a jury of my peers.’”

“’No, Kevin, no one squealed on you. I saw your prank on YouTube.’”
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