An English Exercise.

Ex.1: A new candidate calls for a position asking someone who is out of office. When he returns, he calls the candidate sending him the application form necessary to be hired. Write an example!

- Simbologica, Giuseppe Marcon's speaking.
- Good Morning. I would be pleased to speak with Felice Armani. I saw your advertisement on "Il sole 24 ore", (Oh! A terrible newspaper but there was nothing else to read in the plane this morning!), and I'm calling to obtain the position of "Public Relation Officer".
- Good! But I'm sorry; Felice Armani is not in the office at the moment! I think he would return within 10 minutes.
- Could you ask him to contact me soon calling me on my mobile?
- Yes, why not! And what's your name please?
- I'm Britney Spears. I'm very outgoing and I was born in USA, so I speak English very fluently as you ask in your ad!
- Uh! This name doesn't sound new to me! Can I have the exact spelling?
- Of course, it's "B-R-I-T-N-E-Y".
- Excuse me! Don't rush too fast! Armani studied in US for more than 4 years, I'm instead following again an English course to improve my understanding. Are you saying "I" or "Y"?
- "I-T-N-E-Y", Britney like British, Britannia, Brittle.
- Ok! And then…
- "S-P-E-A-R-S", such as "many fishing spears, harpoons or piercing lances", do you understand me?
- I signed "Britney Spears", "B-R-I-T-N-E-Y S-P-E-A-R-S".
- Exactly! Your English is close to becoming excellent!
- Thanks! And your mobile number…
- It's: plus one, four hundred, fifty-eight, sixty-eight, seventy-eight! Have you signed?
- Yes, +1 400 586868!
- No twice 68, I said 68 78. I repeat: plus one, four hundred, five, eight, six, eight, SEVEN, eight.
- OK! You said 586878!
- Good! Will you guarantee me that Armani will call me as soon as possible?
- Yes, Mrs Britney! I don't know why, but something on my mind tell me that he will call you immediately!
- Thank you very much!
- No problem, it's my job!
- Oh! Excuse me sir!
- Yes! What's the matter?
- Can you keep reserved my mobile number? I'm a beautiful woman and I always fear to be bored by stupid men!

- Yes, of course! Our Human Resource department follows a strict set of security rules and it is very severe with human faults and lost of information. Beside, in Italy we have a strong law regarding strictly personal information. Don't worry! No one else will have your mobile number!
- Thank you very much, again! I am expecting a call promptly!
- Don't doubt it and have you a good day!

After ten minutes Armani, Simbologica Business Developer for foreign affairs, returned in the office very unmotivated from his last interview with a foreign candidate.

- Felice! There was a new call for the position of "Public Relation Officer"!
- I'm not surprised: we offer a salary of 30 thousand euros! It's a good compensation in this economic period! But all the previous candidates were very nasty or really incompetent!
- I think this new one could be a good candidate: she has a good voice and speaks English very fluently.
- I can't believe you about the English, but what's her name?
- "Britney Spears"!
- Are you joking?
- No, I am not! Her mobile number is +1 400 586878! Why not call her?
- Giuseppe, you have worked too much in the last five years! It's a jest, or you have misunderstood her name.
- What you mean? It is perhaps the name of a popular person!
- Obviously! You have sometimes to turn on your radio in the office to hear the public channels instead of using it only to follow English lessons!
- Do you mean that she is a famous radio speaker?
- Oooh, you are hopeless! Give me that number, I bet you a new notebook it is a joke and probably a masculine man will answer the phone.
- It might be! But anyway, why not try it! The mobile calls are paid by Kedrios, not by Simbologica!
- OK! I'll do it immediately! But remember my wager!

Armani called the mobile she gave me and a really masculine man answered promptly the phone.

- Hello!
- Giuseppe, I won the wager: you have to buy me a new notebook! Who are you mister and why you are joking with us?
- "Joking"? I'm seriously working sir! Who are you instead?
- I'm Felice Armani, and I'm telephoning you because this morning someone gave to my unaware colleague your phone number presenting herself as "Britney Spears". Could you well understand what I mean?! She called us for our "Public Relation Officer" position.
- Don't worry! It's the right number, I'm just one of her bodyguards!
- What?
- Mister Armani? I'm Britney Spears! I'm interested in the "Public Relation Officer" position you requested in an ad I saw this morning on an economic newspaper.
- Uahoo! Your speaking tone seams to be very close to the real Britney Spears' voice I heard in her songs.

- But I am really Britney Spears, I'm interested in your ad just to win a bet with my mother. She bore me continuously that I'm able to do nothing, except for singing and dancing and bla, bla , bla. I betted with her that I will obtain a new job before this evening to demonstrate to her that I'm really able to work.
- Yeah! But I have just 30 thousand euros of budget for your compensation.
- I know that 30 thousand euros a day is nothing, but, believe me mister Armani, I need just to win my bet with my mother.
- I mean 30 thousand a year, but anyway I'm embarrassed for your calling: why did indeed you call Simbologica?
- Embarrassed, embarrassed! It's the same thing the others companies told me this morning. I'm visiting you country. It's beautiful, there are a lot of interesting museums, historical buildings, and there is warm weather and not at last very nice Italian boys. I have to obtain a job before the evening to win my bet with my mother. Please accept my call and send me immediately your application form. I will be a good Public Relation Officer for you. I am very nice, outgoing, I'm exceptional to getting on with other people. I'm sure your sales will grow very, very rapidly.
- I'm sure, too. The closing date for applications is in two week's time. But if you will return to me the application form soon, I think I will be able to convince my boss to hire you immediately. But I need to have your e-mail address.
- It's Britannic dot pear at Yahoo dot com.
- Really! Britannic.pear@yahoo.com.
- Yes, like "Italian apple" or "German Blackberry". It is one of my numerous secret addresses; I have to defend my privacy with anagrams and alternative names. Have you signed it?
- Yes, of course. I am at the terminal and I have sent you the electronic version of the application form by e-mail just now.
- Thank you very much, Felice! I will immediately return to you the application form filled with my career and personal details, and I promise you that you will be very pleased to enjoy my presence in your staff.
- Thank you very much, instead! It will be a real pleasure!
- Felice! See you soon indeed. (My mom will change her mind about my personal attitudes!)
- See you soon, Britney!

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