Appendix C: Final Assessment

Customer Script for Phone Call Role Play Assessment

This role play is designed to assess how the learner absorbed the information in the Call Center Customer Service Delivery training as well as how the learner can translate the information into practical skills in the workplace. The assessor will read the script and portray a customer who is interacting with the learner. The learner will respond to the customer, and his/her responses will be evaluated using the role play assessment rubric. Please read the entire script before beginning the assessment because there are cues listed in brackets after each prompt.

[Customer initiates the phone call. The learner answers the call.]

Customer: Hello? Can you hear me? Sometimes I have a hard time hearing on this new telephone. It's a piece of junk, and I should have returned it to the company but it was too much of a hassle.

[Allow the learner time to greet you using the greeting criteria. Be sure not to prompt him/her to correctly greet you, but you can acknowledge his/her greeting. You can give your own name or use the customer name Pat Smith if you choose.]

Customer: I called you today because I want to talk about an order I made two weeks ago. At least, I think it was two weeks ago.

[This is intended to prompt the learner to ascertain the reason for the call. Provide time for him/her to ask leading questions. If this does not happen, proceed to the next statement.]

Customer: I bought one Everloving Evergreen Wreath out of the Complete Christmas Décor Package from your company about two weeks ago. I wasn't expecting much, but it is really nice. I want to buy another one for my friend. She actually might like a nicer one, but you know, I'll take what I can get at this point.

[This is a prompt for the learner to offer to sell you a special value or better version of the product (i.e. upsell). If the learner does initiate an upsell, allow him/her to convince you to buy the more expensive item. Let him/her give you as much information about the product and price as he/she offers. If he/she offers you a bulk rate on multiple items or a special value, accept the offer.

Give the learner the personal information on page 3 as your personal information during the ordering process.

After the order has been processed, proceed to the next prompt.]

Customer: Hey, now that I have that taken care of, I have another issue I want you to help me with. I want to know when you're going to have the new ceramic version of the plastic Children's Hoppity Easter Bunny Statue in stock. I called a week ago, and the person who answered the phone couldn't help me. That person acted like that information didn't even exist! But I know it's in that place somewhere. Someone must know.

[The goal of this prompt is to have the learner access resources for information he/she does not have. He/she will need to place the call on hold and ask a supervisor for the information or check the product catalog update memo. Allow the learner to place the call on hold if they initiate this action. If the learner does not offer to find the information for you, proceed to the next prompt.]

Customer: Oh, yeah, I have something else to take care of while I'm on the phone with you. I bought a Simply Silver Earring and Pin Set from your company. Not from you--someone else sold it to me. I tried three times to tell this person I wanted a Golly Gee Gold Earring and Pin Set, but no one ever listens to me. Well, I got the Simply Silver Set instead, and I hate it. I want to return it, and I want my money back. And after you do that, I want you to transfer me to the person who sold it to me so I can give a customer satisfaction survey for them. You have their name on the computer, I know it.

[This prompt has two goals: the learner should handle a return properly and transfer a call properly. They should occur in that order. If the learner attempts to do them in the opposite order, allow him/her to proceed. During the return, provide the learner with the information on page 3 as your return order information. Prior to the assessment, the learner will have been given an extension to transfer the call to by a training facilitator.

If the call is disconnected, wait for the facilitator to restore the call and proceed to the next statement. If the call is transferred successfully, wait for the facilitator to restore the call and proceed to the next prompt.]

Customer: Well, I guess you've done all you can for me. I hope you've done everything right this time so I don't have to call back. I do like your stuff though. My friends like it too.

[The final prompt is intended to allow the learner to close the call using the appropriate closing criteria. Allow the learner to proceed and disconnect the call after he/she has concluded the closing.]

Customer Personal Information

Name: [You may use your own name or the customer name Pat Smith]

Address: 3418 Northaven Road, Apt. 34B, Navasota, TX 76588

Phone number: 555-838-2236

Credit card: Visa 41111111111111111

Exp. date: 12/2016

Code: 211

Name on card: [Your name or Pat Smith]

Zip code: 76588

Requested shipping speed: Expedited

Return order information:

Item: Simply Silver Earring and Pin Set

Date ordered: 01/01/2015

Price: \$17.99

Credit card: see above

Order completed by PJ customer satisfaction representative Lee Lewis

Reason for return: "I wish I had bought another version of the product instead."

Scoring Rubric for Phone Call Role Play Assessment

Task	Emerging (0 points)	Proficient (1 point)	Score
Answering the call	The learner does not answer	The learner answers the	
	the customer's call before	customer's call before the	
	the required time period	required time period expires.	
	expires.		
Greeting the customer	The learner does not fulfill	The learner fulfills the	
	the greeting criteria (greet	greeting criteria (greet the	
	the customer, announce the	customer, announce the	
	company name, state his/her	company name, state his/her	
	name, or ask "How can I	name, or ask "How can I	
	help you today?").	help you today?").	
Identifying the reason for the	The learner does not ask the	The learner asks the	
call	customer the reason for the	customer the reason for the	
	call and/or does not initiate	call and initiates the	
	the appropriate steps to	appropriate steps to resolve	
	resolve the reason for the	the reason for the call.	
	call.		
Taking the customer's order	The learner does not obtain	The learner obtains and	
	and enter the customer's	enters the customer's order	
	order correctly into the	into the ordering system	
	ordering system.	with no errors.	
Handling special value items	The learner does not offer	The learner offers the	
and upsells	the customer special value	customer special value items	
	items or offer to upsell an	or an upsell during the call.	
	item during the call.		
Accessing resources and	The learner does not access	The learner accesses	
information to assist	any resources or information	appropriate resources and	
customer/answer customer	when required during the	information when required	
questions	call.	during the call.	
Seeking assistance while	The learner does not seek	The learner seeks assistance	
customer is on the phone	assistance from a supervisor	from a supervisor during the	
	during the call even though	call when the assistance is	
	assistance is warranted.	warranted.	
Handling a dissatisfied	The learner does not take	The learner completes all of	
customer	any of the appropriate	the appropriate actions when	
	actions when presented with	presented with a dissatisfied	
	a dissatisfied customer on a	customer on a call.	
	call.		
Placing the call on hold	The learner does not ask the	The learner asks the	
	customer's permission for	customer for permission for	
	the hold and/or does not	the hold and places the call	
	place the call on hold and/or	on hold correctly and re-	
	inadvertently disconnects the	establishes the call before	
	call during the procedure	the required time limit	
	and/or leaves the call on	expires.	
	hold past the required time		
	limit.		

Task	Emerging (0 points)	Proficient (1 point)	Score
Transferring the call	The learner does not ask the	The learner asks the	
	customer's permission for	customer's permission for	
	the transfer and/or does not	the transfer and transfers the	
	transfer the call during the	call to the correct number	
	required time limit and/or	before the required time	
	transfers the call to the	limit expires.	
	wrong number and/or	_	
	inadvertently disconnects the		
	call during the procedure.		
Handling a return	The learner does not take the	The learner takes the	
	appropriate actions to handle	appropriate actions to	
	a customer's return.	handle a customer's return.	
Closing the call	The learner does not ask the	The learner asks the	
	customer if he/she needs	customer if he/she needs	
	further assistance and/or	further assistance and	
	does not thank the customer	initiates the correct steps to	
	and/or does not correctly	assist the customer and	
	disconnect the call.	thanks the customer and	
		correctly disconnects the	
		call.	
Maintaining the appropriate	The learner does not	The learner maintains the	
tone during the call	maintain the appropriate	appropriate tone (smile in	
	tone (smile in the voice)	the voice) throughout the	
	throughout the call.	call.	
Establishing rapport with the	The learner does not use the	The learner uses the	
customer	customer's name and/or	customer's name as	
	listen to the customer.	appropriate during the call	
		and spends the appropriate	
		amount of time listening to	
		the customer.	
Overall score:			