

Jean, a second year medical student at LSU, was working the summer as a receptionist in Dr. Gaston's office in Mammou. Early one morning the phone rang.

"Good morning, Dr. Gaston's office, this is Jean. How can I help you?", she answered proudly.

"Jean, git me da doctor. Charmaine's havin' a baby", the caller screamed.

"Dr. Gaston will not be in for another ten minutes", she said.

"What we gonna do? Charmaine's got dose two minute tractions", the excited caller yelled.

Jean really didn't know what to do, aside from how to answer the phone and fill in the appointment book she really hadn't been given any training, and her medical courses hadn't reached babies yet. But she had an idea.

"We should use the time to gather all of the information the doctor will need when he gets here", she said.

"OK", the caller replied.

"Now, is this Charmaine's first child?", she asked.

"No. Dis is Boudreaux. I her husband", Boudreaux yelled back.

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