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Transcription

There is constant chatter of people eating and talking in the background.

John: Alright, your name please?

Pritchard: Mely Pritchard

John: And your job title?

Pritchard: Food Production Manager

John: And the organization you work for?

Pritchard: Virginia Tech

John: Where are you from originally?

Pritchard: The Philippines

John: And where ... your parents are from the Philippines as well?

Pritchard: The Philippines too

John: What did they do for a living?

Pritchard: Well now they're retiring.

John: But before that?

Pritchard: Before my dad was a contractor and my mom is a housewife

John: And how long have you worked here?

Pritchard: Since 1992, so what? 15 years. Almost 16 years

John: And you live around here?

Pritchard: I live in Christiansburg

John: Could you detail a normally day for me?

Pritchard: I work here from 5:30 to 2:30

John: What do you do when you get to work that early?

Video then begins to sound slower and slower and audio loses quality until it ceases.

Sound completely stops at 2:14 but video continues.

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Intro to American Studies

Cinnabon Manager

Mely Pritchard

You should hear me when I am drinking

I am from the Philippines. I moved here about 25 years ago. I live in Christiansburg now. My parents are from the Philippines too. My parents are retiring now. Before that my dad was a contractor and my mother was a housewife.

I've worked here since 1992. So what? Fifteen years now? Wait, sixteen years ... Almost seventeen years. A normal day here though? I work here from 5:30 to 2:30 Monday to Friday. My coworkers and I start all the ovens, prepare the food, and tidy up. Then I work as a cashier, cook, server, and I handle the employing. I found the job online. There are no unexpected responsibilities, and I would *never* quit this job. I love it. I love everyone here, all the students and all the people. Plus, every year I stay I get a raise. Virginia Tech, obviously, always affects my job. The value of an education influences obviously who eats here but it does not affect me as much. All the people here are friendly.

There's always a funny story here at work. This one morning around 9 AM I was singing and a student told me I had a nice voice. Do you know what I said to him? I told him "You should hear me when I am drinking." Wait, he was singing first! Then my coworker and I started to sing, that's when he told me I had a nice voice. I told him it was worse when I am drinking.

My job is always a good time. I know most of the customers and, in general, just a lot of people. I know what almost everybody orders. Sometimes people don't even say anything, I just make it for them. Sometimes I even know what new customers want. I've worked here so long I just know.