

MOM

Season 1: Episode 5: "6000 Bootleg T-Shirts and a Prada Bag"

Summary: Christy befriends a woman named Regina (played by Octavia Spencer) who has a lot of problems, while Bonnie tries to put someone else's needs before her own.

1. **affirmations** - the action or process of providing emotional support or encouragement.
2. **child support** - court-ordered payments, typically made by a noncustodial divorced parent, to support one's minor child or children.
3. **knock off** - a copy or imitation, especially of an expensive or designer product.
4. **roomies** - short for roommates; persons occupying the same apartment or house together
5. **share war stories** - when people talk about past personal experience typically involving an element of danger, hardship, or adventure.
6. **topless** – not wearing a top; nude above the waist or hips.
7. **“motorboat”** - The placement of one's face between a woman's breasts, followed by a rapid shaking of the face accompanied by vocalizations. The resulting sound that is created sounds similar to an outboard boat motor.
8. **relapse** - a deterioration in someone's state of health after a temporary improvement, typically referencing drug use and sobriety.
9. **sleep with one eye open** - sleep very lightly, aware of what is happening around one.
10. **train wreck** - a chaotic or disastrous situation that holds a peculiar fascination for observers. As compared to the collision or accident of an actual train wreck.
11. **kidding** - deceive (someone) in a playful or teasing way.
12. **zhush** - make more exciting, lively, or attractive.
13. **extradited** - hand over (a person accused or convicted of a crime) to the jurisdiction of the foreign state in which the crime was committed.
14. **sun's coming out... thanks Annie** - a reference to the popular musical, ANNIE

Real Motorboat



Annie with her dog



Regina is caught with drugs in her purse



American Culture: *Slumber Party a.k.a. Sleepover*

A party, most commonly held by children or teenagers, where a guest or guests are invited to stay overnight at the home of a friend, sometimes to celebrate birthdays or other special events. The sleepover is often called a rite of passage as a young child, or a teenager, begins to assert independence and to develop social connections outside the immediate family.

Nowadays sleepovers are a rite of passage that has nearly become a "right," one that stretches past middle-school age and into the high school years. The first successful sleepovers are milestones for kids, who prove to themselves they can handle a little independence from their parents. And sleepovers gel friendships.

"A sleepover is a kind of bonding," said 19-year-old Jeff Westerhaus as he thought back to his first sleepovers in grade school. "Being with people your own age, staying up as late as you can, eating what you want."

Sources: Wikipedia & Chicago Tribune 2005 Article

Comprehension Questions: *Answer the following questions based on Episode 5*

Why did Baxter go to Mexico? Was his trip successful?

When Christy told Bonnie that she was in financial trouble, what solution did Bonnie offer?

Why is Regina in trouble?

What did Regina offer Christy and how did Christy respond and why?