

Intermediate 2
Unit 7: Dialog
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people **smoking in public places** = people **who smoke in public places**
smoking in public places ⇒ **Reduced Adjective Clause**

fine = punish somebody by forcing him/her to pay money

Active: The police **will fine** the smokers.

Passive: The smokers **will be fined** (by the police).

broke = flat broke = without money

go broke = to lose all your money or become bankrupt (= unable to pay what you owe and losing legal control of your finances)

Jack: You know, some people think it's an ugly sight to see a man smoke.

Bruce: Then they shouldn't watch me smoke.

sight = what you can see, view

then = if so

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Bruce: They don't have to stay around if they don't like the smell.

They don't like to. = They don't like to watch you smoke.

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now = (Emphatic Word) Oh My God, Gosh, Gee

silly = stupid, foolish

quit = give up

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Sample Summary:

The dialog is about the conflict between Jack, who is against smoking, and Bruce, who is addicted to smoking. Jack informs Bruce that smoking in public places is illegal and fined, and tries to persuade him to quit smoking by mentioning the disgust and annoyance of non-smokers. Bruce defends his smoking habit by ignoring the law, dismissing the opinions of non-smokers, and refusing to quit smoking. He shows a lack of concern for the health and social consequences of smoking.

Source:

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