

## **NO to Dating**

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**Man:** Good afternoon, ma'am. Lovely day, isn't it?

**Lady:** Mhm. Quite.

**Man:** You know, a day this beautiful deserves company. How about I take you out for coffee?

**Lady:** Oh, that's very kind of you, but no, thank you.

**Man:** Come on, don't be shy. I'm an excellent conversationalist. And I know a nice coffee place nearby with the best cappuccinos.

**Lady:** Look, I appreciate the offer, but I'm... busy.

**Man:** Busy? Sitting in the park? Everyone deserves a break!

**Lady:** I've got my hands full. This is my son.

**Man:** Your son?

**Lady:** Yep. My pride and joy.

**Man:** That's no problem! I can hire a babysitter for him. Kids love me anyway. Right, little guy?

**Kid:** Uh... sure?

*(The lady leans to the kid and whispers.)*

**Lady:** I'll give you five euros if you cry.

**Kid:** *(bursts into loud, dramatic sobs)* WAAHHH!!!

**Man:** Whoa, whoa, what's wrong?

**Lady:** See? He's like this all the time. No babysitter lasts more than an hour with him. Such a handful

**Man:** Oh, uh, I see... well, maybe another time. You both have a great day!

**Lady:** You too!

**Kid:** But I'm not your son, auntie.

**Lady:** You played the part well.

**Kid:** Add five more euros to the deal, or I'm telling my mom.

**Lady:** Fine.

**Kid:** Pleasure doing business with you.