

## ROMMY PICKS A CAREER

Rommy Los, a junior at Poway University, had thoroughly enjoyed his first two years of college. But this summer, he had a rude awakening: His parents informed him that in two years he would be on his own. Previously, Rommy had assumed that he'd go on to graduate school—maybe even become a professor—anything to be able to remain at Poway University—affectionately known as P.U.

In the fall, Rommy enrolled in a course on Supply Management. The very first day of class, something clicked—this is it! “If I’ve got to work for a living (in contrast with being a professor!), it should be in a profession with both challenges and the potential for great satisfaction. Supply management.”

With this momentous decision behind him, Rommy planned to take follow-on courses in cost and pricing and negotiations and to take an internship in supply management. Life was more interesting than ever now that he had a direction and sense of purpose. There was only one fly in the ointment—Rommy’s mother and father were both accountants, and they had always assumed that Rommy would be also.

This weekend, Rommy’s parents would be in town to see him and, he hoped, take his laundry home. Although Rommy was determined to pursue a career in supply management, he would like his parents’ approval.

1. If you were Rommy, what arguments would you present in favor of such a decision?