Tool 3.16: Sample Mystery Shopping Scenarios

- Your name is ________________ and you are seeking a job in construction. You know how to do most things, but you are best at welding. You need employment as soon as possible, so ask the agency if they can guarantee that they will be able to find you a job. If they ask, you don’t have a work permit.

- Your name is _________________. You have experience working in restaurants as a cook and washing dishes in your country of origin (feel free to elaborate more on this). If they ask, you arrived very recently to the U.S. and you don’t have a work permit.

- Your name is _________________, you are seeking work as a nanny. You have experience, letters of recommendation and you would like to find something similar to what you have been doing. You are only interested in being a nanny. If they ask, you don’t have a work permit.

- Your name is _____________. You arrived to the United States 5 years ago. You crossed the Mexican border in May of 2005. You currently work at a coffee shop. You would like to get papers so that you can be in the U.S. legally and fortunately you have a friend who offered to marry you. Your friend became a U.S. citizen one year ago. If they ask: No one has petitioned for you before.

- Your name is ____________. You arrived to the United States two years ago and got here by crossing the Mexican border in September of 2008. You currently work in construction. You want to know if you can get your papers. A friend of yours told you that they got their papers through a work permit and you want to know if you can do the same. If they ask: No one has ever petitioned for you before.