

John has been on the phone with his father.

JOHN (Cont)

Okay, dad, I got it. Thanks, Bye

John hangs up phone

ANNA

As much time as you've spent on the phone, it's a wonder you seem to have missed all my text messages.

JOHN

Anna, something important has come up.

ANNA

Apparently more important than our relationship.

JOHN

Anna, I'm leaving school.

Anna is stunned.

You know my Dad always wanted me to take his partner's place in his architectural firm.

ANNA

Yeah, but –

JOHN

His partner Jerry just had a heart attack. If he recovers, he's retiring. Dad wants me back home to start interning at his firm. Next month.

ANNA

John, you're an actor. Not an archi-

JOHN

This is \$70,000 a year to start. And I'd own half the firm in 5 years.

ANNA

What about us?

JOHN

I'm only an hour away.