

frasier's **break** /4/ the denial

Martin is worried about Frasier. He approaches his other son, Niles, who is also a psychiatrist, about this problem.

Martin: Hey Niles, can I talk to you about something? It's _____ Frasier. _____ since he got fired, he's _____ so weird. All these projects he's got _____...

Niles: Yep, don't worry, it's normal. He's simply in a state of denial.

Martin: Denial _____ what?

Niles: About getting fired. People like Frasier, their whole identities revolve around their job. The _____ of the job is like dying to them. And they _____ with it in the same way they would cope with a death, _____ going through a series of stages. First one's denial, usually that's followed by anger, then... Hey Frasier, you ready for our squash date?

Frasier: Oh gosh, I'm so sorry, I'm _____ to have to cancel. I've been cooking all morning.

Niles: Oh, what _____ ?

Frasier: Well _____, I'm holding a little picnic for the KACL employees and their families. As you may _____, I did _____ them all fired. So I was just hoping to make _____ by serving up a little Duck a l'orange. By the way, I didn't get the television job that I applied for. _____ a relief. That job starts tomorrow. I have got things to do.

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