

WORKSHEET 6C

UPCOMING APPARENTLY IRRELEVANT DECISIONS – JO'S STORY

Preceding Event/ Situation	Apparently Irrelevant Decision	What Could Have Been Done Differently?	Pros of Doing Things Differently	Cons of Doing Things Differently	Safe Alternative
Ross invited me to his wedding reception.	Accepted invitation.	Turn down invitation.	Avoid a risky situation.	It wouldn't be nice to miss his wedding reception.	Rehearse drinking refusal skills. Review motivation exercises. Leave early.
Parents have asked me to go on	(Option 1) Decline offer.	N/A	Avoid risky situation.	Greatly disappoint parents.	Discuss with Marcus. Accept, but,

holiday with
them during
winter break.

(Option 2)
Accept offer.

N/A

Please par-
ents and
good for
family.

Committed
to risky
situation
without hav-
ing thought
things
through.

prior to holi-
day, prepare
myself (i.e.
plan things
to do on hol-
iday, rehearse
drinking
refusal
skills, and
review my
exercises).