**IDENTIFYING DEFENSE MECHANISMS**

1. **John thought that almost everyone but himself was cheating on the psychology exam.**
2. **Lisa was embarrassed when she kept forgetting her appointment with the dentist.**
3. **Although Joan had not been very close to her mother during her childhood, she was now so over-solicitous of her mother’s health and comfort that she was finding her own marriage being threatened.**
4. **After Susan’s new baby brother came home from the hospital, her parents discovered that Susan had dismembered her favorite doll.**
5. **A student attributes his failing several courses at the university to the poor quality of teaching there.**
6. **Through incredible hard work and perseverance, the 50-year old woman, who had never had a sexual relationship, became a famous artist.**
7. **A man who had had many extramarital affairs began to accuse his wife of being unfaithful.**
8. **Six-year-old Tommy began wetting his pants again after the birth of his baby brother.**
9. **Michael saw his semester grade for his psychology class and told his friends that this was not/could not be his grade.**
10. **Two years after breaking off his relationship with Julie, Rick failed to remember anything about the problems the couple had had that lead to the breakup.**
11. **A mother spanks her child severely and often, saying it’s merely “discipline” and will teach him to be a “good boy.”**
12. **Upon learning that he failed the exam, Mark kicks the trash can outside the classroom as he leaves the campus.**
13. **Patrick broke off his relationship with Susan, but Susan still calls and texts, attempting to make plans for their next “date night.”**
14. **After his third DWI and the loss of his job, Dan continues to argue with friends and family, stating that he is not an alcoholic.**
15. **Jim backs his car out of the grocery store parking lot, and runs over a man who was walking behind his car. He refuses to accept responsibility, stating that the “idiot should look where he is walking.”**