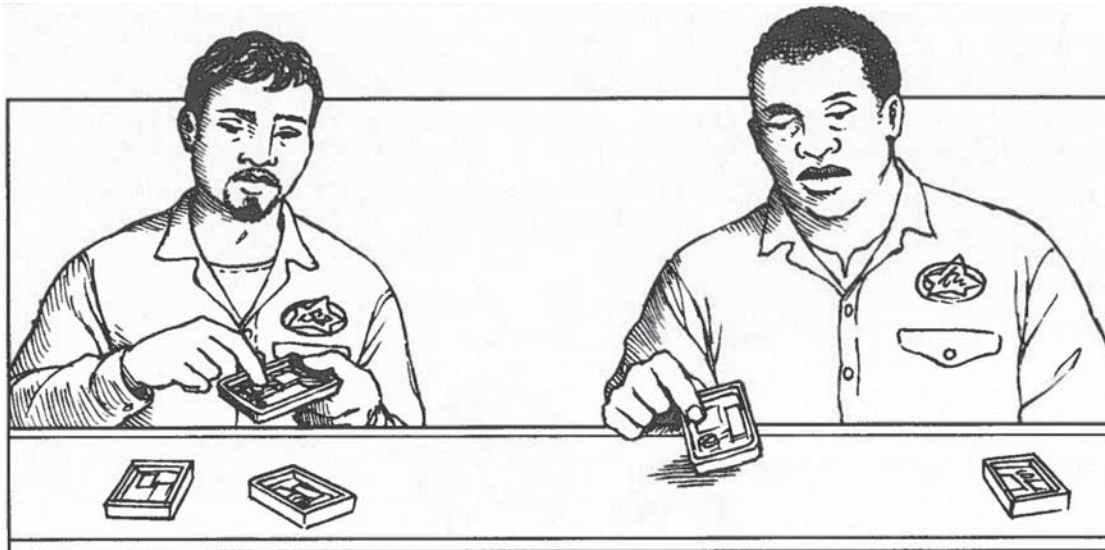


Visions for the Future



Jose: I'm sick of this place. They own you here. Nothing ever changes.

Mario: Well, it's better than it was 10 years ago. I've seen a lot of changes since I started here.

Jose: Like what?

Mario: We have longer breaks, better pay, and medical insurance. It took a while, but we won them.

Jose: Yes, but I came to this country to get ahead. I didn't come here to fight for every penny. I'll never make it at this rate. I'm looking for another job.

Mario: Well, wake up. It's the same everywhere. The only way things get better is if we stick together. Things can change. And now a lot of people are supporting us.

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Thinking about Change

Describe how Jose and Mario each feel. Share a story of when you felt the same way.

Drawing from the articles you read in this issue of *The Change Agent*, list some of the actions people can take to bring change to the workplace. Which of these could you try in your workplace?

Revisit the activity on p. 3. Now that you've read some of the stories in "Good Jobs, Not Just Any Jobs," describe your ideal job. Is your description different from the one you did before you read the magazine?

What is your vision for what work could like? And who should decide?