

Believe it or Not

Making the Excuse

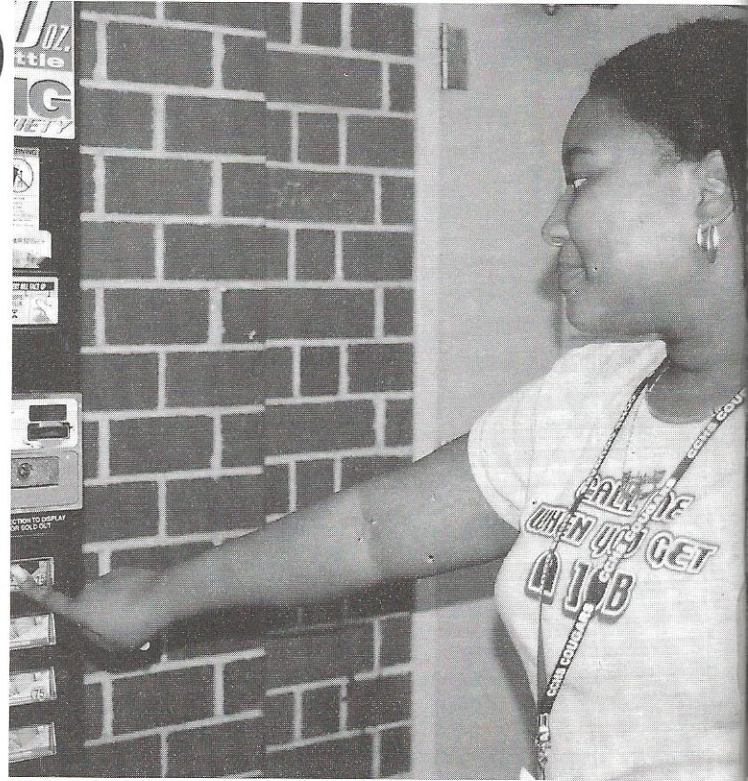
How many times was this heard? "You see ...what had happened was." Those famous words could be heard from almost every con artist at school. People used excuses as the a way to get out of trouble. Excuses worked better than lying and had about the same effect. "See, umm, well, my car ran out of gas, I had a flat tire, I got locked out of my house and my bike broke down, so you see that's why I'm late," junior **Jerome Jenkins** said.

Students lied and made up excuses for everything. So accustomed to making up excuses did the students become, that they did not even realize they had done it. This went on everyday, all day, to cover up lies and to get out of doing what they did not want to do. "I make excuses all the time and most of them are believable. I use them to stay out of trouble," freshman **Kim Bullock** said.

Not all the excuses came close to believable but then there were those scarce few people whom had it down to a tee. These few students got away with making excuses and lying everyday.

-Lauren Moody

Making a decision! Senior **Gabriele Jackson** gets out of class and makes a fast break for the soda machine. She waited for her drink to fall hoping it would come before an administrator.



In the nick of time. Struggling to open her locker, sophomore **Tonya Givens** spends a few seconds out of class. "I don't often use excuses at school," Tonya said.

Excuse Me? Listening to excuses everyday, Assistant Principal **Vinnie Mitchell** sits in her office hearing the same old excuses. "I hear excuses from students everyday," Ms. Mitchell said.

