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*Curb Your Enthusiasm* Analysis

**Instructions**: While we watch Season 8, Episode 5 of *Curb* (“The Vow of Silence”), pay attention to the various social norms that Larry David either (attempts to) enforce, or breaks himself. Then, reflect on Larry’s insistence/transgressions by listing the results of his actions.

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| **Social Norm** | **Enforce/Break** | **Overall Result** |
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Next, reflect on two of these social norms, **one** that Larry attempts to reinforce, and **one** that he breaks himself. How does his support/denial of these norms align with those in Oscar Wilde’s *The Importance of Being Earnest*? (2 sentences each)

**Reinforces:**

**Breaks:**

Lastly, identify the instance of Bunburying in this episode of *Curb Your Enthusiasm*. What’s the overall result of Larry’s Bunburying? How do you (personally) feel about his attempted avoidance of social obligations? (5 sentences minimum)

**Bonus:** Identify one of the theories of humor used in the episode and explain its relevancy.