Intention to rape – scripted role play

The scenario of women waking up to find an acquaintance or someone they thought was a friend having sex with them is a common one that SARSAS service users report. This is rape.

Three people - Clare, Tom and Mike - each to read a part. First, read the description of the situation.

A group of friends have been hanging out at Sarah's house having snacks, playing games and drinking. At around 1ish Sarah says she is going to bed as she needs to get some sleep because she's got a busy day tomorrow. The rest of the group keep having fun. At around 4, Clare, Tom and Mike are meant to be getting a taxi home to theirs together but Tom says he is going to share Sarah's bed.

- Tom: Right, you guys go, I may as well stay and hop in bed with Sarah. Ha, maybe I'll slip her a quick one whilst she's sleeping......wahey!.....
- Mike: Yeh right [sarcastic]
- Clare: Seriously you are joking right?
- Tom: Oh f*** off [get lost], it's not like we haven't shagged before
- Mike: Mate I don't think she's up for it, you guys weren't exactly getting off with each other tonight.
- Tom: Yeah but Sarah's always up for it.
- Clare: I really don't think she's gonna want you pouncing on her in the middle of the night. Sounds a bit rapey to me...
- Mike: Come on mate, you don't have her consent. You don't want to do anything stupid.
- Tom: Yeah alright.