

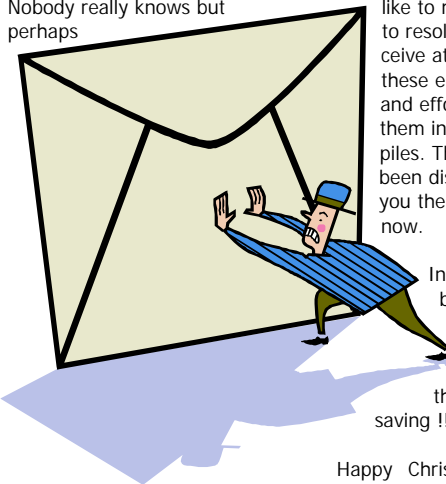
Email – Plague Or Pleasure

Many businesses find themselves handling so many unsolicited and or commercially valueless emails that their information systems are slowed and sometimes even compromised. Worldwide it is estimated that more than 10,000,000,000 emails are sent and received daily. Most people would agree that that is a lot of zeros and equates to more than one message for every man, woman and child on the planet every day.

as many as two thirds of these are junk or jokes, that's six thousand million file transfers that need deleting, reading or ignoring. Either way they are taking up a lot of space.

Then there is the time issue. Many managers worry about the time lost by staff reading and transferring commercially irrelevant emails. Again its difficult to quantify precisely but many millions of paid hours must be lost annually to this curse.

Nobody really knows but perhaps



We at Recruitment Solutions would like to make a small contribution to resolving the issue. We receive at least out fair share of these emails and, at great cost and effort have carefully sorted them into 'Dross' and classic piles. The dross has long ago been disposed of and we bring you the pick of the 2002 crop now.

In this way you get all the best entertainment in one email allowing you to delete all the others without even opening them. Think of the time saving !!

Happy Christmas from us all and enjoy.

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Le Humour...

Three guys, an Englishman, a Frenchman and a Welshman are out walking along the beach together one day. They come across a lantern and a genie pops out of it. "I will give you each one wish" says the genie. The Welshman says, "I am a farmer, my dad was a farmer, and my son will also farm. I want the land to be forever fertile in Wales." With a blink of the genie's eye, 'FOOM' - the land in Wales was forever made fertile for farming. The Frenchman was amazed, so he said, "I want a wall around France, so that no one can come into our precious country. Again, with a blink of the Genie's eye, 'POOF' - there was a huge wall around France.

The Englishman asks, "I'm very curious. Please tell me more about this wall. The Genie explains, "Well, it's about 150 feet high, 50 feet thick and nothing can get in or out." The Englishman says, "Fill it up with water."



New PC Options becoming available

It looks like you're writing a letter.

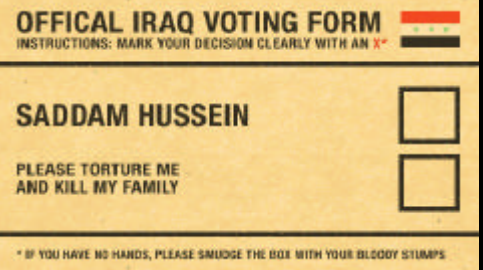
Would you like me to

- Boll**ks it up for you
- Just f**k off and leave you alone

Cancel



Democracy at work



Lessons for us all

Corporate lesson 1

A man is getting into the shower just as his wife is finishing up her shower when the doorbell rings. After a few seconds of arguing over which one should go and answer the doorbell, the wife gives up, quickly wraps herself up in a towel and runs downstairs. When she opens the door, there stands Bob, the next door neighbour. Before she says a word, Bob says, "I'll give you 800 dollars to drop that towel that you have on." After thinking for a moment, the woman drops her towel and stands naked in front of Bob. After a few seconds, Bob hands her 800 dollars and leaves. Confused, but excited about her good fortune, the woman wraps back up in the towel and goes back upstairs. When she gets back to the bathroom, her husband asks from the shower "Who was that?"



"It was Bob the next door neighbour," she replies. "Great," the husband says, "did he say anything about the 800 dollars he owes me?" MORAL OF THE STORY: *If you share critical information pertaining to credit and risk in time with your stakeholders, you may be in a position to prevent avoidable exposure.*

Corporate Lesson 2

Usually the staff of the company play football. The middle level managers are more interested in Tennis. The top management usually has a preference for Golf.

FINDING : *As you go up the corporate ladder, your balls reduce in size.*

Corporate Lesson 3

A sales rep, an administration clerk and the manager are walking to lunch when they find an antique oil lamp. They rub it and a Genie comes out in a puff of smoke. The Genie says, "I usually only grant three wishes, so I'll

give each of you just one." "Me first! Me first!" says the admin clerk. "I want to be in the Bahamas, driving a speedboat, without a care in the world." Poof! She's gone. In astonishment, "Me next! Me next!" says the sales rep. "I want to be in Hawaii, relaxing on the beach with my personal masseuse, an endless supply

of pina colodas and the love of my life." Poof! He's gone. "OK, you're up," the Genie says to the manager. The manager says, "I want those two back in the office after lunch."

MORAL OF THE STORY: *Always let your boss have the first say.*

The Art of the CV

Okay, we all know the basics of c.v. writing: keep it concise, keep it neat and try not to lie about experience or hobbies. Some people can't resist telling the truth to extremes and end up getting it spectacularly wrong. Here are some of our favourites: One applicant decided to list the range of photocopiers she had used, and ended on this note 'and I can file A3, A4, A5' The boast 'I was proud to win the Gregg Typing Award' no doubt went down a storm.

One hopeful applicant listed 'embroidering hankies for a Hollywood film star' as an outstanding achievement.

While one thought it important to point out that they were 'wholly responsible for two failed financial institutions'

Under the 'achievements' section, one applicant wrote 'Received a Plague for Salesperson of the Year.'

One candidate stated: 'It's best that I not work with people.'

And another revealed: 'I own a huge collection of cruet sets.'

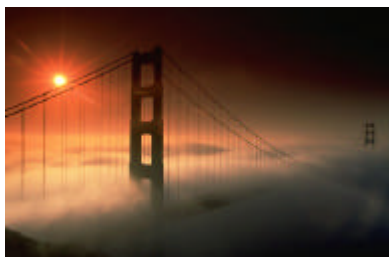
CV application best practice!

I expect everyone is used to the formulaic, estate agent esque styled c.v. however, some do put a little bit more imagination into their approach. What follows is a real, honest to god application from a student received by a colleague at Southampton University. The really cool thing is, they gave him a place on the course.

3A Essay: In order that the admissions staff of our university get to know you, the aplicant, better, we ask that you answer the following question:

Q: Are there any significant experiences you have had, or accomplishments you have realised, that have helped define you as a person.

I am a dynamic figure, often seen



When I'm bored I build large suspension bridges in my garden

scaling walls and crushing ice. I have been known to remodel train stations on my lunch breaks, making them more efficient in the area of heat retention. I translate ethnic slurs for Kenyan refugees, I write award-winning operas and manage time efficiently. Occasionally, I tread water for three days in a row.

I woo women with my sensuous and godlike trombone playing, I can pilot bicycles up severe inclines with unflagging speed and I cook thirty minute brownies in twenty minutes. I am an expert in stucco, a veteran in love and an outlaw in Peru. Using only a hoe and a large glass of water, I once single handedly defended a small village in the Amazon basin from a horde of ferocious army ants. I play bluegrass cello, I had trials with Manchester United, I am the subject of numerous documentaries.

When I'm bored I build large suspension bridges in my garden. I enjoy urban hang gliding. On Wednesdays, after school I repair electrical appliances free of charge. I am an abstract artist, a concrete

analyst and a ruthless bookie. Critics worldwide swoon over my original line of corduroy evening wear. I don't perspire. I am a private citizen, yet I receive fan mail. I have appeared on Through The Keyhole and won the gold plaque. Last Summer I toured Eastern Europe with a travelling centrifugal-force demonstration. I run the 100m in 9.65 seconds. My deft floral arrangements have earned me fame in international botany circles.

Children trust me.

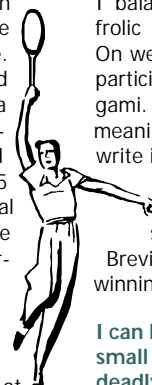
I can hurl tennis rackets at small moving objects with deadly accuracy. I once read Paradise Lost, Moby Dick and David Copperfield in one day and still had time to refurbish an entire dining room that evening. I know the exact location of every location of every food item in the supermarket. I have performed several covert operations for the CIA. I sleep once a week; when I do sleep, I sleep in a chair. While on vacation in Canada, I successfully negotiated

with a group of terrorists who had seized a small bakery. The laws of physics do not apply to me.

I balance, I weave, I dodge, I frolic and my bills are all paid. On weekends, to let off steam, I participate in full-contact origami. Years ago I discovered the meaning of life but forgot to write it down.

I have made extraordinary four course meals using some vegetables and a Breville toaster. I breed prize winning clams.

I can hurl tennis racquets at small moving objects with deadly accuracy.



I have won bullfights in Madrid, cliff-diving competitions in Sri Lanka, and chess competitions at the Kremlin. I have played Hamlet, I have performed open-heart surgery, and I have spoken with Elvis.

But I have not yet gone to this University.

Qantas Maintenance Logs

Never let it be said that aircraft maintenance crews lack a sense of humour. Here are some actual QANTAS maintenance log entries showing the problems reported by pilots (P) and solutions recorded by mechanics (S).
 P: Left inside main tyre almost needs replacement.
 S: Almost replaced left inside main tyre.
 P: Test flight OK, except autoland very rough.
 S: Autoland not installed on this aircraft.
 P: No.2 propeller seeping prop fluid.
 S: No.2 propeller seepage normal.
 Nos.1, 3 & 4 propellers lack normal seepage.
 P: Something loose in cockpit.
 S: Something tightened in cockpit.

P: Dead bug on windshield
 S: Live bugs on backorder.
 P: Autopilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200-fpm descent.
 S: Cannot reproduce problem on ground.
 P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.
 S: Evidence removed.
 P: DME volume unbelievably loud.
 S: DME volume set to more believable level.
 P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.
 S: That's what they're there for!
 P: OFF inoperative.
 S: OFF always inoperative in OFF mode.
 P: Suspected crack in windscreen.

S: Suspect you're right.
 P: Number 3 engine missing.
 S: Engine found on right wing after brief search. [The pilot meant 'engine misfiring']
 P: Aircraft handles funny.
 S: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right, and be serious.
 P: Radar hums.
 S: Reprogrammed radar with words.
 P: Mouse in cockpit.
 S: Cat installed.

Review Comments

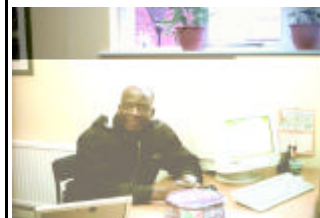
Back by popular demand a few more performance review comments:
 "Since my last report, this employee has reached rock bottom and has started to dig."
 "I would not allow this employee to breed."
 "He would be out of his depth in a parking lot puddle."
 "When his IQ reaches 50 he should sell."
 "If you see two people talking and one looks bored, he's the other one."
 "She brings a lot of joy whenever she leaves the room."
 "She has a photographic memory with the lens cap glued on."
 "He has got a full 6 pack but lacks the plastic thing to hold it all together."
 "She has a knack for making strangers, immediately."

Developing communication skills

Sister Mary Katherine lived in the monastery for 5 years before the Priest said to her, "Sister Mary Katherine, you have been here for 5 years. You can speak two words." Sister Mary Katherine said, "Hard Bed."
 "I'm sorry to hear that," the Priest said. "We will get you a better bed." After another 5 years, Sister Mary Katherine was called by the Priest.
 "You may say another two words, Sister Mary Katherine."
 "Cold food," said Sister Mary Katherine, and the Priest assured her that the food would be better in the future.
 On her 15th anniversary at the monastery, the Priest again called Sister Mary Katherine into his office. "You may say two words today."
 "I quit," said Sister Mary Katherine.
 "It's probably best", said the Priest, "You've done nothing but moan since you've been here."

Temp of the month — December 2002

This month we are delighted to award our temp of the month award to Garikai Gombera. Gary as we have come to know him, has been employed at Total Laminate Systems in Thame and has proven to be completely reliable and trustworthy and we are delighted to present him with this award.
 Gary has been offered a permanent position at Total Laminate as a reward for his efforts.



Gary receiving his temp of the month award at the Recruitment Solutions offices.

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