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Dear Mr Thorne,

I am writing to advise that movies borrowed on the 14th of October are now three weeks overdue and have accumulated fees of \$82. Please return the following movies before they gain further fees.

002190382 Journey to the Centre of the Earth  
003103119 Logans Run  
008629103 Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay  
000721082 Waterworld

Kind regards,  
Megan

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Megan Roberts".

Megan Roberts  
Store Manager

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**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Sunday 8 November 2009 2.16pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** DVDs

Dear Megan,

Thank you for your letter regarding overdue fees. As all four movies were outstanding examples of modern cinematic masterpieces, your assumption that I would wish to retain them in my possession is understandable, but incorrect. Please check your records as these movies were returned, on time, over three weeks ago. I remember specifically driving there and having my offspring run them in due to the

fact that I was wearing shorts and did not want the girl behind the counter to see my white hairy legs.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Monday 9 November 2009 11.09am  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: DVDs

Hi David

Are you sure as our computer system indicates otherwise. Can you please check and get back to me?

Kind regards,  
Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Monday 9 November 2009 11.36am  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

Yes, they are definitely white and hairy. Viewed from the knees down, the similarity to two large albino caterpillars in parallel formation is frightening. People who knew what the word meant might describe them as 'piliferous', although there is something quite sexy about that word so perhaps they wouldn't.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Monday 9 November 2009 1.44pm  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Hi David

No, our records indicate that the DVDs have not been returned. Please check and return as soon as possible.

Kind regards,  
Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Monday 9 November 2009 4.19pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

With the possible exception of Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay, the movies were not worth watching let alone stealing. In Logan's Run, for example, the computer crashed at the end when presented with conflicting facts and blew up destroying the entire city. When my computer crashes I carry on a little bit and have a cigarette while it is rebooting. I don't have to search through rubble for my loved ones. The same programmers probably designed the Blockbuster 'returned or not' database. Also, one would assume the title Journey to the Centre of the Earth to be a metaphor but the movie was actually set in the centre of the earth. As it is a solid core of iron with temperatures exceeding 4300° Celcius and pressures of 3900 tons per square centimetre, this does not seem very likely. Waterworld was actually pretty good though. My favourite bit is when they are on the water but the scene when Kevin Costner negotiates for peace, ending the war between fish and mankind moments before the whale army attacked was also very good.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Tuesday 10 November 2009 3.57pm  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

David

The DVDs are listed as not returned. If you cant locate the DVDs, you will be charged for the replacement cost.

Megan

**From:** David Thorne

**Date:** Tuesday 10 November 2009 5.12pm

**To:** Megan Roberts

**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

I have checked pricing at the DVD Warehouse and the cost of replacing your lost movies with new ones is as follows:

Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay \$7.95

Waterworld \$4.95

Journey to the Centre of the Earth \$9.95

Logan's Run \$12.95

This totals \$35.80 so I would rather pay that than the \$82 late fee. I have no idea why Logan's Run is the most expensive of the four movies as it was definitely the worst. Have you seen it? I wouldn't pay \$12.95 for that. I would use the money to buy a good movie instead. Probably something with Steven Segal in it. The entire premise comprised of living a utopian and carefree lifestyle with only three drawbacks - wearing seventies jumpsuits, living in what looks like a giant shopping centre and not being allowed to live past thirty. This would seem logical though as I would not want a bunch of old people hanging around complaining about their arthritis while I am trying to relax at the shopping centre in my jumpsuit trying not to think about the computer crashing.

A few years back, I was forced to do volunteer work at an aged care hospital. Footage of these people during Tuesday night line dancing could be used as an advertisement for the Logan's Run solution. The only good aspect of working there was that I halved their medication, pocketing and selling the remainder, explaining the computer listed that as their dose and they were welcome to check knowing their abject fear of anything produced after the eighteenth century would prevent them from doing so. I also swapped my Sanyo fourteen inch portable television for their Panasonic wide screen plasma while they were sleeping, explaining that it had always been that way and their senility was simply playing up due to the reduced dosage of drugs.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Wednesday 11 November 2009 1.21pm  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Hi David

I have not seen those movies so I don't know what you are talking about. I prefer romantic comedies. If you have the movies, we can't rent them so we lose money and the fees are based on what we would have made from renting them and we also have to purchase movies through our suppliers not from DVD Warehouse. Our records show that the movies were not returned. If you cannot locate and return them let us know as soon as possible so that we can come to some arrangement.

Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Wednesday 11 November 2009 3.28pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

I myself am also a huge fan of romantic comedies. Perhaps we could watch one together. I have a new Panasonic wide screen plasma. You probably get a staff discount on new release movies and if you could bring some snacks that would be good. My favourite romantic comedy is Fatal Instinct although it did not contain enough robots or explosions in my opinion and I was therefore unable to truly identify with the main characters on a personal and emotional level. Recently, I was tricked into watching The Notebook which was about geese. Lots of geese. It also had something to do with an old lady who conveniently lost her memory so she could not remember being a whore throughout the entire film. I don't recall a lot of it as I was too busy being cross about watching it. In a utopian future society she would have been hunted down and killed at thirty.

In regards to the late fees, I understand the amount is based on what you lose by not being able to rent the movies out. You probably had people lined up around the block waiting to rent Logan's Run. For eighty two dollars though, I could purchase six copies of it from DVD Warehouse or, as I have heard he is a bit strapped for cash, have Kevin Costner visit my house in person and re-enact key scenes from

Waterworld in my bathroom.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Thursday 12 November 2009 3.16pm  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Hi David.  
Restocking fees are:

002190382 Journey to the Centre of the Earth \$9.30  
003103119 Logans Run \$7.90  
008629103 Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay \$6.30  
000721082 Waterworld \$5.70

Total: \$29.20 - I have deleted your late fees and noted on the computer that the amount owed is for the replacement movies not fees.

Kind regards,  
Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Thursday 12 November 2009 7.42pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

Those prices seem reasonable. I do not want Logan's Run but will pick up the other three when I come in next.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Friday 13 November 2009 12.51pm

**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

What? The \$29.20 is the cost of the replacement DVDs for the store.

Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Friday 13 November 2009 1.15pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

That makes more sense, I was wondering what I was going to do with two copies of each movie.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts  
**Date:** Friday 13 November 2009 2.33pm  
**To:** David Thorne  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

What do you mean by two copies? Are you saying you found the four movies?

Megan

**From:** David Thorne  
**Date:** Friday 13 November 2009 2.57pm  
**To:** Megan Roberts  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Dear Megan,

Yes, they were on top of my fridge the whole time. Unfortunately I have a blind spot that prevents me from seeing this area of the kitchen as it is also where I keep my pile of unpaid bills and threatening letters from collection agencies. Last night I slept

on the kitchen floor with the fridge door open due to my air conditioner being broken and the temperature outside exceeding that of the Earth's core. Luckily, my fridge emits a loud and startling 'beep' every thirty seconds when left open and the vibrations from this caused the DVDs to wriggle forward over the space of many hours before toppling from the edge and I awoke from a dream, in which my hair looked great, to find them beside me on the pillow. As you have already waived the late fees, I will drop them off tonight and we will call it even.

Regards, David.

**From:** Megan Roberts

**Date:** Friday 13 November 2009 3.43pm

**To:** David Thorne

**Subject:** Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: Re: DVDs

Ok.

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