

PIECE OF YOUR COUCH

CLERK 1. Number 72.

CUSTOMER A. Hi!

CLERK 1. Hello, sir.

CUSTOMER A. Hi! I'm here to renew my license.

CLERK 1. I'll need your current license and your birth certificate, sir.

CUSTOMER A. There you go.

CLERK 1. And your passport.

CUSTOMER A. You need my passport?

CLERK 1. Yes sir.

CUSTOMER A. Why?

CLERK 1. I need your passport, sir.

CUSTOMER A. Look, I don't have my passport with me, so I guess I'll come back tomorrow. What time do you open?

CLERK 1. Tomorrow, sir?

CUSTOMER A. Yeah.

CLERK 1. Tomorrow our hours are 6:35 a.m. to 7:05 a.m.

CUSTOMER A. You're only open for a half an hour?

CLERK 1. That's right, sir.

CUSTOMER A. Okay, fine. I'll be here tomorrow at 6:35 a.m.

CLERK 1. Don't forget to bring your passport, sir.

CUSTOMER A. Don't worry. I won't forget.

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CUSTOMER B. Hi, I'm here to get a city parking permit.

CLERK 1. I need your license, birth certificate, registration, and passport, sir.

CUSTOMER B. Yeah, I've got everything right here.

CLERK 1. And I need a piece of your couch, sir.

CUSTOMER B. Pardon me.

CLERK 1. I need a piece of your couch.

CUSTOMER B. A piece of my couch?

CLERK 1. Yes, sir.

CUSTOMER B. I don't understand. Why do you need a piece of my couch?

CLERK 1. I need a piece of your couch, sir.

CUSTOMER B. Aw, c'mon. All I want to do is get the parking permit, so I could be . . .

CLERK 1. Do you have a piece of your couch with you, sir?

CUSTOMER B. No no, of course not.

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CUSTOMER B. Aw, man!

CUSTOMER C. Yeah, I'm here to get a new sticker for my license plate.

CLERK 1. I need your license, registration, birth certificate, passport, medical history, the instruction manual for your refrigerator, two chickens, and a box of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch screws.

Customer C. Yeah, here you go.

CLERK 1. Uh huh. And I also need a mouthpiece for a sousaphone, a three-pound bag of Chinese celery, and a box of trail mix.

Customer C. Um hum, right. Here you go.

CLERK 1. I'm sorry, sir, I need a three . . . oh . . . you have that, too.

CUSTOMER C. Yeah, everything is here.

CLERK 1. Everything is there.

CUSTOMER C. Yep.

CLERK 1. I have to go. (*He runs off.*)

CUSTOMER C. Hey . . . hey, wait a minute. Where in the world do you think you are going?

CLERK 2. What seems to be the trouble, sir?

CUSTOMER C. I came in to get a new sticker for my license plate.

CLERK 2. Did you bring your license, registration, birth certificate, passport, medical history, refrigerator manual, two . . .

CUSTOMER C. Yes yes, see, it's all right here.

CLERK 2. All right. Everything seems to be in order; just sign this form.

CUSTOMER C. Okay, do you have a pen?

CLERK 2. Number 75!