

INT. HOTEL FRONT DESK - MORNING

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Good morning!

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Well at least you're half right.

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I'm sorry?

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No need for you to be sorry. Not unless that was you barking every 30 minutes last night.

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Oh, you heard that too?

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Yeaaah.

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That was a tad annoying, wasn't it?

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Well, if by annoying you mean akin to a North Korean torture ritual then yes, it was a "tad annoying."

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Well, what can you do?

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Shoot the dog. That's one thing. Or maybe just shoot the owner and feed him to the dog. Seems to me that would cover both bases.

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Whoa. Okay, that's a little extreme, don't you think?

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Sorry. You're right. You'll have to forgive me. You see I'm attending this really expensive conference today --

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"Positive Thoughts Make For Positive Profits"?

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That's the one. Yeah -- court ordered -- don't ask.

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Wow! Me too! What are the odds?

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With the conference being held at this hotel? I'm thinking pretty good.

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Oh, sure. Well, I guess we better start "thinking positively" - huh?

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Yeaaah. You know, I have to say, I'm just really impressed how "positive" you are.

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Well, that's the name of the game.

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I mean, it's so great how it doesn't matter to you - at all - that we had to actually pay for a room in this gulag leaving us in what I'm sure will quickly become a vacant stupor throughout the day - totally unable to absorb any of the "important life lessons" that we're going to be paying off over the course of "65 easy installments".

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Yeah... well, hopefully a lot of what they cover will be in the handouts.

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Yeah. I heard they didn't even use handouts. No. Something about -- "if you don't remember it then maybe it isn't important enough to you"?

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Really? Well, that's, um...

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Yeah. Kinda takes the "wind of positivity" out of your sails, huh?