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# **Why I Believe Printers Were Sent From Hell to Make Us Miserable**

Matthew Inman once again puts into comic form what we've all thought at one time or another. Has anyone ever been completely happy with their printer? Between the cost of ink, the difficulty of setting them up, and their reliability.

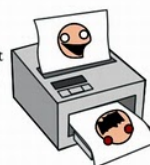
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## The Printer Hate Machine

Printers, unlike other technologies, are remarkable in the fact that they're just as crappy and unreliable now as they were in 1995.



It is my belief that they were sent here to inspire rage, loathing, and murder in the hearts of all mankind.

## The Purchase

You're lured in by the fact that the printer is so cheap. It probably has sleek surfaces and every feature is described with an exclamation point.



You might even buy one of those scanner/printer/fax combo printers, which means it'll suck really hard at three things rather than just one.

## The Software

The driver disks they include are older than the earth itself, so you'll have to download new ones.

Do you want to download CrapPrinterBundle.exe (600 MB) ?

In addition to the drivers, we'll install a massive suite of worthless multimedia applications which you'll never use but will run permanently in the background.

DOWNLOAD NOW

CANCEL

## The Setup

Setup is usually delayed when you drive all the way home and realize they didn't include a printer cable.



## The Noise

I've always wondered what one robot screwing another might sound like. Thanks to my printer, now I know.



WHIRRRRRRRRRRR

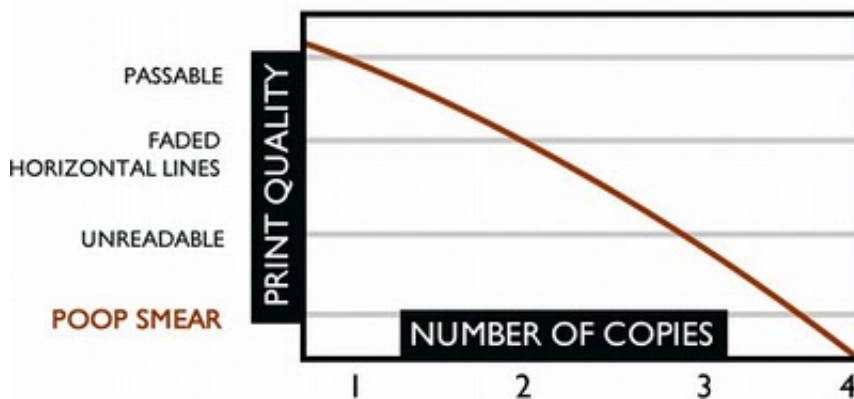
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## "Photo Quality" Printer

Printers are great for photos if you only need to print one photo per year.



## Paper Jam

All printers come with a bonus feature where they'll not only print on paper, but crunch it up for you as well.

Gimme UR expensive photo paper  
i have teh hunger  
om nom nom nom





## Error Messages

I've come to believe that my printer produces cryptic error messages simply by using words like "load", "tray" and arranging them randomly.



## Ink Cartridges

Either printer ink is made from unicorn blood or we're all getting screwed.

<p><b>Pen</b> (ink contained in plastic)</p>  <p>\$0.15</p>	<p><b>Ink Cartridge</b> (ink contained in plastic)</p>  <p>\$25.00</p>
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## Ink Colors

Aside from getting gouged by ink cartridges that cost more than printers themselves, what's really aggravating is when your printer refuses to work unless all the colors are fully stocked.



This error message = Giant load of crap

## Ink Expiration Dates

I recently discovered the joys of ink cartridges that expire and won't work until you buy new ones.



This is meat. This will expire unless you stick it in your mouth by a certain date.



This is an ink cartridge. This should never expire, and it doesn't even have to go in your mouth.



Result: happy meatface



Result: unhappy inkmouth

## Unfortunate Timing

Your printer will always stop working at 3am when you're trying to print out a report that's due the next morning.



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