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Hungry4Knowledge - September 30, 2023, 7:15 am

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Hungry4Knowledge - September 30, 2023, 12:30 pm

(Sep 30, 2023 11:56 AM)Focus Broken Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What do you mean by "caretaker"? Like a servant or handyman?A caretaker usually gets a free flat in the basement and a very low pay and in return they keep the building clean, sort the post out and collect rubbish from everyone's front door. No utility bills, no rent. It's a job for life if you have decent cleanliness standards.

Charlie Sheen - September 30, 2023, 1:09 pm

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I'm an all or nothing person. Hence an alcoholic for the same reason.

What you suggest sadly is a slippery slope for me.

It has to go

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Ahh that's an interesting bit of info. Do you not do anything like that with writing anymore? Sorry to hear about losing the previous blog work you mentioned as well. That sucks.

jcole - October 1, 2023, 7:45 am

That's pretty cool, but I'd rather work and have a job and live on my own rather than be in servitude to someone.

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What a day you had! It sounds like you hit the jackpot with those generous neighbors. The loot is impressive, especially the homemade beer and cash. As for the PS3, it shutting down due to overheating is quite common with older models.

Broheim - October 30, 2023, 3:33 pm

Sounds very good. I need to look out for those neighbors.

LOUD - October 31, 2023, 12:10 am

Wow! Awesome story and seems like you and your spouse are truly caring people.

Kudos to both of you for the work you do!