

Computer Trouble

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The Brain switches to Linux after having problems with Windows.

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The Brain sighed in disbelief as his computer crashed yet again, "Supposed to be the most stable Microsoft operating system ever but this thing is sheer garbage." He then yelled, "Why can't Microsoft do anything right?" The Brain restarted the computer, when he got into Windows; the computer locked up and gave him the dreaded blue screen of death, "Arrgh!" He was now ticked off almost tempted to throw the computer out the window.

"Why can't they just make an operating system that actually works for once?" The Brain yelled, "Sue Ellen and George are lucky because they have Mac's, and they actually work."

He turned off his computer and went to bed; he was grumbling in his sleep, "Stupid Microsoft can't make a stupid operating system if they even tried."

The next morning he was tempted to throw his computer in the garbage but had an idea; as it was a Saturday he walked to the computer store and asked the sales clerk a question.

"I need help my PC is always crashing and I want a new operating system, something that doesn't crash every five minutes," The Brain said frantically.

"Try Linux it is the next best thing, many people prefer it compared to Windows," The sales clerk said.

"Alright I will take a copy," The Brain replied.

"What distribution?" The clerk asked.

"Anything easy to install" The Brain said

"Mandrake it is," The Clerk said.

The Brain paid the aardvark man \$40 bucks that he saved up. He was excited to wipe the cursed Microsoft operating system off the computer; it was like nirvana to him.

When he got home he wiped the hard drive clean to make way for a change.

An hour later he was done installing.

"This doesn't crash but I wonder what my friends will think," The Brain thought.

Fantasy Scene.

“Brain your computer skills are ¼ber better than mine,” Fern said warmly as she hugged him.

“Brain I think it was very brave of you switching to Linux,” Sue Ellen added.

End Fantasy Scene.

The Brain sighed, “They won’t be my girlfriends because of that!”

Fantasy Scene.

“What is Linux?” Fern asked as she was perplexed.

“Lin-ux?” Sue Ellen said as she didn’t know what it was either.

End Fantasy Scene.

At school on Monday, the Brain wanted to tell someone about the operating system, he told Sue Ellen

“Hey Sue Ellen, what sort of computer do you run?” The Brain asked curiously.

“My parents and I use an I-Mac, why?” Sue Ellen asked.

“I just wiped Windows XP off my PC and put Linux on it, it is the best thing ever,” The Brain gushed.

“Right!” Sue Ellen said as she was confused; she walked into the school.

“Drat!” The Brain said, then thought, “I always wanted her to be my girlfriend,” and he noticed Fern and he asked himself “What if she runs a Windows PC?”

Fantasy Scene

Fern, Arthur, Buster, Francine and Muffy walk towards the Brain, Sue Ellen and George

“Mac and Linux users have no place here, you will all be assimilated,” They said as if they were zombies.

End Fantasy Scene

“Noooooo!” He yelled.

Fern found the Brain shaking with fear, “What’s wrong?”

“Get away from me you are going to assimilate me!” The Brain yelled.

“Have you been watching Voyager again?” Fern asked curiously.

“No I done a major upgrade to my computer and if I told you I was running Linux; you, Arthur, Muffy, Francine and Buster would drone on by saying that you all would assimilate Sue Ellen, George as well as myself,” The Brain explained..

Fern laughed, “Don’t be silly, the computer I have at home is running it, I am using SuSe Linux.”

“Really,” The Brain said in an interested tone and he thought, “Fern is the next best thing.”

“My parents made the switch because they had such terrible luck with Windows,” Fern explained.

“Do you think a Linux and Mac OS club would be a good idea?” The Brain asked.

“Who uses Macs?” Fern asked curiously.

“Sue Ellen and George,” The Brain replied, “If we all stick together we will overcome.”

“Unless we have a Linux club,” Fern admitted, “Only you and me,”

The Brain blushed a little bit, “Sure, that sounds like fun, should we introduce our friends to Linux?”

“I don’t know!” Fern replied.

Fantasy Scene.

The Brains computer is in the garbage.

“Buster, bring my computer back inside right now!” The Brain yelled angrily.

“Aww!” Buster said as he walked to retrieve the computer.

End Fantasy scene.

“Or worse try teaching Binky,” Fern joked.

Fantasy Scene.

Binky throws Ferns computer out the window.

End Fantasy Scene.

“I guess if we do a Linux club it will be only us two, we could invite Sue Ellen and George because they use Macs,” Fern suggested.

“Now you’re talking!” The Brain said happily, “I would rather teach them Linux than Buster.”

Buster overheard, “Teach who what? Teach me what you know!”

“Are you sure?” The Brain asked nervously, “I don’t want my computer in the garbage because you got mad at it, unplugged it and just dumped it in the trash.”

“I am sure, if anyone is good at computers it is you or the writer of this story,” Buster replied.

“Ok,” The Brain said, “You can come only if you don’t throw my computer in the garbage.”

After school Buster and Fern went to the Brains.

“And here is my computer with Linux,” The Brain announced.

“Mandrake,” Fern said as the computer booted up.

Buster couldn’t understand anything on the operating system he was waiting to get into the graphical user interface.

A few minutes of trying Linux Buster unplugged the computer.

“Don’t even think about it!” The Brain warned.

“Your computer is too hard to use,” Buster complained, “I was going to throw the computer out the window.”

Buster sighed and went home.

“Mom, the Brains computer is too hard to use,” Buster complained.

“It is just like our computer,” Mrs. Baxter replied.

“No he put some sort of Linux thing on it and it is impossible to use,” Buster said.

“It is Alan’s choice,” Mrs. Baxter said.

Buster ran upstairs and went to use the computer, “Phew Windows!” A few seconds later the computer crashed, “Aww!”

Fern and the Brain were talking.

“I think Buster was slightly annoyed,” Fern said.

â€œI made the move because Windows always kept crashing,â€• The Brain admitted.

Fern just smiled at him, â€œI thought I was the only one in class.â€•

â€œI was nervous to tell people, I know Sue Ellen and George use Macs because I seen them there, they would never dare touch a Windows PC; anyways why are you using Linux?â€•

â€œJust since Windows kept crashing on us, my mom wanted to use Linux since it hardly crashed,â€• Fern explained.

The next day at school Buster was talking to Arthur.

â€œHe is like a totally new person using Linux,â€• Buster complained.

â€œWell it is his choice,â€• Arthur replied, â€œGive this Linux thing a chance and install it on your PC.â€•

â€œNo way I am not going to use it because they use it!â€• Buster snapped.

Sue Ellen joined the conversation, â€œOr better yet get a Mac.â€•

â€œYour computer is hard to use as well,â€• Buster joked, â€œHow do you live with yourself using that computer of yours?â€•

â€œIt is easy,â€• Sue Ellen replied, â€œYou are just a simple minded rabbit boy who doesnâ€™t understand computers.â€•

â€œWell you are aâ€•!â€• Buster was lost for words and sighed, â€œI already lost the argument.â€•

â€œYou did alright,â€• Arthur joked.

Buster finally thought of something to say to Sue Ellen, â€œWell you are a Mac user!â€•

Arthur and Sue Ellen just looked at him.

â€œSo?â€• Sue Ellen replied.

The bell rang and they all went into the class; a new seating plan was posted.

The Brain was sitting with Fern, Sue Ellen and George at one table; the other windows users were sitting at other tables.

â€œI think a computer club would be good,â€• Fern said, â€œLinux users and Mac users.â€•

â€œI guess if we are all here,â€• George commented.

Buster overheard and walked towards the table and asked, â€œA club? Can I join?â€•

â€œMac users or Linux users only,â€• Fern said.

â€œThat is the stupidest thing I ever heard, you are all thinking that we regular Windows PC users arenâ€™t good enough!â€• Buster yelled, â€œWell I will form my own club in which Arthur, Muffy, Jenna, Francine and the striped shirt rabbit girl whom I donâ€™t even know her name will be members and it will be Windows users only.â€•

â€œWhat about Binky?â€• Sue Ellen asked.

â€œWhat about him?â€• Buster replied, â€œHe doesnâ€™t have a computer, so he canâ€™t join.â€•

â€œThat is kinda mean,â€• Sue Ellen criticized.

â€œWell he better be more adept as a windows user!â€• Buster yelled.

Mr. Ratburn walked in hearing yelling, â€œMr. Baxter if you are having a problem please donâ€™t use anger, solve your problems in a more social

manner.

"Fern won't let me join her stupid club for jerks!" Buster yelled angrily.

"It is my club," Fern said calmly, "Just because we use a different operating system on our computer he just wants in."

"But it isn't fair," Buster complained.

"You complained that you couldn't understand my PC now you want to join the Linux and Mac club?" The Brain commented.

"Alright, alright, Buster I think you need a five minute break to cool down a little," Mr. Ratburn said.

"I will not calm down, not until she lets me join her stupid club for jerks," Buster yelled angrily.

Buster was sitting in the principals' office.

"I believe that you are responsible for being disruptive in class today," Mr. Haney said.

"It is Fern's fault, she won't let me join her computer club," Buster complained, "She is being biased against Windows users!"

"What does that even mean?" Mr. Haney asked as he sat down.

"She and the Brain are both Linux users, and she let Sue Ellen and George join on part that they are Mac users, she is forming a bias against Windows users because she won't let any Windows users join her club."

"I think I should just call your mother, and send you home from school, and some counseling maybe," Mr. Haney said, "This computer stuff has messed up your mind."

Within minutes Buster was home.

"Ok Buster with your unacceptable behavior you won't be allowed to touch the computer for a week," Mrs. Baxter said sternly, "You should know that arguing won't get your way all the time."

Buster sighed in disbelief and went into his room.

Mrs. Baxter was thinking, "I got to get a new computer the thing on my desk is a few years old!"

The next day at school Buster had a plan.

"If you Mac and Linux users won't let windows users join then the windows users are going to be on no speaking terms with you guys," Buster said calmly.

"But Buster!" Arthur protested.

Buster was angered, "If you want to join them, there is a spare chair at the table over there!"

Arthur was in defeat, he couldn't talk to his friends but it was also clear that Buster was losing it.

After no one talking with each other, Arthur wanted to talk to Fern.

"I am sorry for Buster's behavior, he has been using his computer so much over the past few weeks I think his mind has been fried," Arthur said.

"Thank you," Fern said happily.

Buster caught Arthur talking to Fern, "Arthur! No talking with the

enemy!

Arthur lowered his head, "I am sorry"

After school Buster went home and to his surprise was a new computer.

"Cool!" Buster said as he looked at the sleek new technology; he turned it on and to his shock on his computer was Linux, he stood there wide eyed, "Noooooooooooooooooo!" and he lay on the floor.

"L-Linux!" Buster said over and over again.

Mrs. Baxter found Buster lying on the floor trembling.

He kept on repeating, "Linux™" over and over again.

Mrs. Baxter thought of something and had to make a phone call, "Hello Dr. Sharp, I want to make an appointment for my son to a psychologist, tomorrow? Great!"

The next day Buster was at Dr. Sharps.

"Ok Buster you are seeing me because you are what in medical terms mentally ill," A bear man said.

"I am not going to use Linux!" Buster yelled, "Fern and Alan started this, I am not going to encourage their Linux use by using that deplorable operating system myself!"

"I think a few days at a mental institution would do you good," The doctor replied.

"They are crazy, unfair and have a bias against us Windows users!" Buster said angrily.

"I happen to use Lindows, the cross between Linux and Windows," The doctor then pushed a button and two muscular aardvark men came in and wrapped Buster in a straightjacket and sent him off to the mental institution.

The next day at school The Brain went to talk to the windows users, "I am sorry for what I did, now Buster is in a mental institution because he has a new computer with Linux on it, how I know is that his mom told me."

"I am sorry for Buster how he segregated all of you, it doesn't matter what type of computer you use," Arthur replied..

Binky ran in excited, "Hey I got a new PC with OS 2 Warp 4 on it on it!" Then asked, "Where is Buster?"

"He is in a mental institution, as using his computer has really fried his mind," The Brain explained, and then lowered his head, "It is my fault."

"Don't blame yourself," Fern said warmly, "Buster has always been crazy, Mrs. Baxter told my parents that he started becoming less sociable due to his computer use and he just lost it, he just needs to swallow his pride and accept that we are both Linux users, Sue Ellen and George are Mac users, Binky is an OS2 user and everyone else is a Windows user if Binky was more impartial to Linux and Windows he could have used Lindows."

Everyone just laughed as almost everything was back to normal, except for Buster who was still sitting in a padded cell wearing a straight jacket.

The End.