
first 9-5

Posted by yteah - 2008/06/29 06:53

just thought id make a thread about it, so hopefully i can read someone else's horror story, lol heres mine

i work at the dumb 7-11, its basically the only place that wasnt a fast food joint that called me for part time. anyways its summer now. it started off with me working with a retarded fellow who likes to dance and can only do one task at a time (that includes counting dimes before nickels when given change) and a super hideous girl who thinks shes the greatest customer chit chatter of all time, and shes intent on looking busy before actually being busy (she'll sweep and mop the floor almost constantly rather than doing of shit that needs to be done, which leaves me to do it)

so yeah, the retard needs babysitting, he fucks up bad hourly. and the hideous girl is annoying as hell.

now the burn out manager (shes seriously burnt our for life, the saddest person you'd ever meet) puts me on for night shift cause the night burn out (a 400 pound sarcastic bitch) is on vacation. so heres me luck of the draw (most likely the managers just racist, considering i should have already gotten a raise for training the retard and hideous girl, and im the only native person who works there) working nights, during summer. no more hot chicks in short shorts to check out and flirt with during the day. just drunks stumbling in for "can i use your washroom" or "i lost my money" or the idiot whos pissed off cause its pre-pay for gas after 7 pm.

the worst part of working nights is that the other night guy is a week newer than me and he makes \$1.20 more just cause he works nights, and i still get minimum cause its only temporary, temporary for like two weeks though, which is like two weeks of winter. lol

so i swear the managers a racist, or might be pissed cause i got a bad cold after three weeks of working, lol, its not my fault!

"work sucks"

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/06/29 08:30

oh, golly that does suck.

it has been so long since my first job, that i can't really remember the suckyness of it, but it did suck i remember that.

but my last sucky ass job before i opened my own buisness is still etched in my mind.....

"the waffle house"

it is scary to even think of it. this waffle house is in a small town, but right on the interstate. i worked nights, 3rd shift, for a while, and you get the drunks right out of the bar, from the town 30 miles up the road, and you think, wow how did they make it here without killing anyone, and they order thier food, after like forever, cause they are talking with eachother, and can't decide what to order, and they spill thier drink, cause they are drunk. and they are to loud. and you get the wierdo serial killer looking people, that make you glad there are bright lights and cameras everywhere. and then the cooks are taking "breaks" out back, to do god knows what, more than likely crack, and they are all wiered out.

then i worked days, and around here no one tips. that is right no tipping, they think if they leave you the pennies and nickels from thier change that you should kiss the ground they walk on, when you are only making 2.19 an hour, to get them thier stupid waffles and hashbrowns. and they treat you like you are stupid, when they can't even say pecan right.

and then the managers are on a power trip, cause they get a closet size office, that has a 2 way mirror, so they can sit in there and talk on thier cell phone and watch everyone, and not do thier damn job. or act like it is so difficult to be the manager of the waffle house, you count some inventory, and the money, and sit in your closet office, what is so flipping hard about that?

and you have to say hello to everyone who comes in the door, and you feel like a retard, and then when you first start you have to watch these really dumb videos. and the ordering, you have to stand infront of everyone and shout the dumbest things to the cooks.

so needless to say that is not the whole horror, but the highlights.

that is why i don't work there anymore

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by Trillian - 2008/06/29 12:22

Oy vey, those are some horror stories!

My first job was McDonald's. It sucked, needless to say. I was pretty much the only person who spoke English there (and this was in Southern California, mind you!) In the course of the three or so months I worked there ...

A pervy repeat customer told me what he'd like to do with me and some mayonnaise.

I got in a fight with the McFlurry machine. The machine won, and my uniform was destroyed.

I got a second-degree burn from the fry vat, but didn't report the injury because the other employees would just laugh at me all day and talk shit about me in Spanish (hey! I might be white and have limited second-language skills, but I know what "puta blanca" means, OK?!)

All the girls there (we're talking ages 16-22) were pregnant or already mothers, except me of course.

Trash duty. Need I say more? Fast food joints have the most atrocious smelling refuse. Guh.

Only benefit: free Chicken McNuggets.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/06/29 13:45

speaking of first jobs,
me being only 15, i'm probably gonna start working at King So,opers in a few weeks

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/06/29 17:05

i think resturants are the worst, but convience stores come in second, i never worked at a supermarket, hope it will be better

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/06/29 20:32

hmm, jobs that suck

for me it would be the retail places i've worked

JC Penneys (not good) and Sears (an absolute horror)- i'll tell you about the worst one, a real horror story

my first job Sears was terrible.
crap pay- crap bosses- crap store

the store manager and the security guy sat on their butts all day (on the rare occasion that they showed up) down in the food court on the opposite end of the mall from the store

managers would actually get pissed if they had to help customers, esp. this one who just wanted to stroll around

hardware lazily all day. the store manager would also be rude to customers when they had complaints or issues of some sort- bitching at them and what not.

in the morning after the bosses opened the door they would ALL leave and go down to the food court for 20-30 minutes for a break, even though they had done nothing the whole morning but sit in the store break room. this would leave the store without a manager for half an hour and to make matters worse- there were usually only 5 or so associates to run the clothing section, jewelry, housewares, bedding, shoes, appliances, electronics, the outdoors section, exercise equipment, and hardware- oh, the joys of being under-staffed :roll (but i guess we had no business so it didn't matter)

the appliance people also sold delivery and instillation options to customers and all laughed in the mornings during store meetings- with the bosses- because Sears had nobody to actually install and they had no truck for a time to deliver. so basically the store was stealing money from the customers.

they also tried to screw over employees by making rules for when the employee discount could be used. like they decided you can only use it if you pay with a Sears card or cash. if you use your debit card, a check, or another credit card you forfeit your discount. if you use a store coupon you forfeit your discount. if you price match you forfeit your discount, etc.

when i started working there i basically found out that the whole store was dishonest and a total sham. most people in town hate it and i don't even know how it stays open-i guess because of the Craftsmen section maybe. (there are lots of farmers and ranchers who come into town and buy tools there). plus, after i quit that terrible place i found out that it had been sued a lot in town and that Sears had no district manager for that region, which i guess explains why the store was being allowed to carry on that way. i think its corrupt at the top though- in fact i'm sure it is. the stored gets sued a lot nationally too for poor business practices.

needless to say i never shop in Sears and if you live near one don't work there.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by EasternMind - 2008/06/29 20:38

My first job started just last week, and I'm a custom framer in a frame shop. It's a great job with great people, and most of the "guests", as we call them in Jo Ann's, are nice as well. I mean, how many scrapbooking old ladies are that mean? It's a great place to work, and I'm not being overworked, which is nice. My first paycheck was today, and I was pretty excited.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/06/29 21:21

thats cool EasternMind- glad to hear you have a good first job :)

you mean Jo Ann's fabrics/ craft shop right- i shop at one of those

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by EasternMind - 2008/06/29 21:36

Yep, Jo Ann's Fabric. Really though, the Custom Framing is a separate shop within it, which is nice, since we have better hours, etc. It's a really fun job, and a great creative trade! Thanks for commenting. ;)

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/06/29 21:39

well, we'll have to see how my jobs gonna be then.

but i agree bulletwoutbutterflywings. a restaurant would suck, well actually fastfood would suck.
I had a friend begging me to work at chickfila, and i could think of a million reasons why to turn him down

Re:first 9-5

Posted by Alienbob - 2008/06/29 21:51

heh, my first job kicked ass...

welcome to life!:roll

Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/06/30 08:08

yeah heavymetalmachine, i don't think i could ever work at a fast food place, that's like a regular restaurant but way worse.

has anyone seen waiting, i love that movie, it is hilarious, and it will make you never want to eat in a restaurant again, unless you are super nice to the people there.

sears sounds bad czarina, i have never worked retail, but i don't think i could.

a frame shop sounds neat, i would love to work in a crafty place, i love crafts.

right now i have a dream of opening my own book store, but i don't think i could even eke out a living on that around here, books don't go over real well. but i guess that is why they call it a dream.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by doomsdayclock - 2008/06/30 08:32

haha, waiting. Waiting is an awesome movie. I really worry now about my food so i'm very polite to my servers now.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/06/30 08:35

hehe

yes, i love that girl naomi, so typical of people who work in food service, and believe me i have cussed a bunch and then put on a happy face.

i have worked in to many restaurants to mention.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by Trillian - 2008/06/30 12:23

Wasn't a first job, but a lame hostessing job at a swanky restaurant (you know, one of those ones where it pays to be fake? The kind of place where me, a little punk rocker at heart, died a little every day I worked.)

Yeah, well, it was well beyond closing time, but who decides to stroll up to the bar with two old floozies on his arms but Michael Bolton. My fellow hostess, an older cougar herself, was just fawning over the cad, and I just wanted to go home

and sleep. The jerk dawdled in there for another HOUR and nobody had the balls to make him leave. UGH MICHAEL BOLTON IS LIKE THE WORST CUSTOMER EVER.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by PersianBellyDancer - 2008/06/30 22:51

Worked as a hostess in Red Robin for about a month. The lesson learned: Never use the utensils while eating there.

I also worked at "Guess" for a good year or so. They paid me minimum wage while the other girls got much more because apparently stupid equals money. Oh and the loud obnoxious music made you want to kill yourself with a hanger.

Not to mention being harassed by other Iranians there because they figured I could give them a discount. Nope. Not going to do it.

They threatened to fire me because I found out that everyone else made more than me. You can't fire someone for that, not in California that is. I've done my research.

Read the book Nickel and Dimed by Barbara Ehrenreich. She goes undercover in low paying jobs to exploit them.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/01 13:29

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by PersianBellyDancer - 2008/07/01 23:55

HeavyMetalMachine wrote:
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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/02 00:03

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/02 06:08

even at the waffle slave house we got one free meal, if it was under a certin amount, and you got there and ate it BEFORE your shift started. (oh no, i might have caught that CAPS thing from geek nz)

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/02 10:37

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aw, what a rip

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Posted by PersianBellyDancer - 2008/07/02 14:08

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We got to make ONE burger after your "training" was done. They pretty much heated up an old one and said "knock yourself out." They never really train you they just kind of stick you out there and say "do it." After that, you could take customers old food. Or their fries...if you were really desperate.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/02 14:24

that sounds super crappy PersianBellyDancer, and cheap on the part of your employer.
my brother works at Taco Bell and gets free food everyday he works.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by PersianBellyDancer - 2008/07/02 14:56

I work in an office now.

More pay, more flexible hours.

But in this case, I'm the legal department's bitch.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/02 16:13

ok, so Persianbellydancer.

now that i know you're a former red robin employee tell me all the dirty secrets behind the best burger joint in the world.
like, for example, whats this silverware thing you were talking about?

Re:first 9-5

Posted by yteah - 2008/07/02 20:24

oh yeah, i forgot to mention we're understaffed

me and the night guy are kinda bad employees though, we're both 19 and new, we steal toquitos and hot dogs, nachos, and last night we put out a tip jar and actually ASKED the customers if they wanted to tip us. we made 24 bucks and chipped in for a pack of smokes and then bought lottery tickets. and we read magazines for hours. its the night shift, theres nothing to do; after you do the chores once, they dont need to be done again.

if the manager ever checks the tapes, ill be fired, maybe i already am and shes just waiting to get someone to replace me.

the tipz jar thing was so funny, the plan was to get enough for beer, then he was gonna run five blocks to the bar for it, and we actually wrote tipz with a z, all snazzy and drew a maple leaf on it cause it was canada day. he asked this one kid if he wanted to tip, and the kid said "naw" and just by accident the kids change got dropped on the counter/floor and i just lol'd and said "you fuckin asshole, hahaha"

we saw the most craziest crackhead ever, she twiched and bounced to imaginary beats, and her shoulders constantly tilted and twisted. while she was bending over getting candy, she bounced her ass up and down and i almost lmao'd i covered my mouth and looked away. the other customer was staring with us "she is definitely strobing... haha"

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Yeah right, nothing compared to In-n-Out Burger.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/03 08:39

i like dairy queens burgers, those are so good. i would love to work at dairy queen but i think i would end up weighing like 500 lbs, so that wouldn't be a good job.

reminder to self: never use the silverware at red robin.

Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/03 09:35

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eeeeewwwwww.
I'll bring my own silverware next time.

I ate at In-n-Out Burger one time and I didn't really see what was so special with it.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/03 20:43

that is eeeewwwwww

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/03 23:09

actually, i just realized that i've never used the silverware there.
I always get a burger and fries.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/04 00:15

it sounds like you should be glad you haven't HMM.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/04 06:58

i have never ate there, but i like thier comercials, but i like the sonic comercials better, those guys and lady are hilarious.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by doomsdayclock - 2008/07/04 07:46

i'll never eat fast food again ever after four years ago. I forget what movie i saw but it scared me to death about the realities of fast food.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by Trillian - 2008/07/04 12:15

Was it "Fast Food Nation"? Or maybe "SuperSize Me"?

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/04 13:08

pssh,
supersize made me hungry for a Big Mac

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/04 20:48

ick- i hate McDonalds

i never go there, partly because i'm vegetarian and partly because it always seems like McDonalds is filthy. maybe they all just really suck in my town, but i swear every McDonalds here is just gross. it makes me sick thinking about them.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/04 20:57

ha, they redid the mcdonalds in the town next to mine, and now it looks like a bar, i am so serious. it has LEOPARD PRINT chairs, and purple on the walls. i don't know what they were thinking, but it doesn't look good.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by blueczarina - 2008/07/04 21:02

thats some interesting decor bullet. sounds like they need some serious redecorating.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/04 21:04

i know, i couldn't belive that they did it. i don't know who the heck they had deciding things, but it wasn't anyone with taste.

sorry to anyone who like the combo of leopard print and purple, they are just not my thing.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/04 22:59

your all seriously making me hungry for a Big Mac

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/05 08:54

hehehe.

i don't like the big macs, but i love a double qararter pounder with cheese.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/05 11:42

actually, do you know whats really good?

Usually i get a Whopper at Burger King but i had this coupon for a BK double stacker. Oh my, that burger was AMAZING.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/05 16:16

holy crap dude, i know, those are the best, take out all the unnecessary veggies, and leave the good stuff, beef, pork, cheese, sauce and some bread.

now i really want one of those.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by HeavyMetalMachine - 2008/07/05 16:42

hahaha, exactly.

i thought i was the only one who thinks those are delicious

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/05 17:32

no they are the best, i usually only get the double stacker, but if i am really hungry, i get the triple.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by yteah - 2008/07/05 19:53

ugh, those triple stackers are fucking huge, i got one when i was mega hung over, i gave my friend my fries cause it was too huge, it filled me up for like 6 hours until i puked from the hangover plus some weed. thats really some gigantic-ass-shot-of-a-texan type food. gross.

i just like those value menu cheese burgers at mcdonalds, anything cheap, i dont like making a meal out of fast food, it just makes you feel groggy.

lol the other night-guy came in just tweaking on something, i think it was coke, and he was drunk, like if you ever see someone tweaking, it looks like they have a perm mask on. lol.

he was serving this one guy "ha, holy boy, are you fucking stoned? fuck they should do some drug tests at this sev, haha, fucking just out of it"

then a drunk came and talked to us while we were outside having a smoke, he went in, then we went in, and he came to the counter, and gave a second look "haha, you fucken guys work here?!?!" i was up for about 30 hours, he was tweaking, we all had a good laugh.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/06 08:45

you could write a book about your life and times at the gas station, or a screenplay maybe.

and you should try the double stacker, they are a bit more manageable.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by yteah - 2008/07/06 08:57

lol im sure.

i like narrated books about people i can relate to. there should be a book search engine...

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/06 08:59

yes there should be. that would be awesome.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by yteah - 2008/07/06 12:30

like madduckets.com lol

damn theres a sweet band on tv and i missed the first info thingy, now i gotta wait for the end, i really gotta pee. hahaha.

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Re:first 9-5

Posted by bulletwoutbutterflywings - 2008/07/06 12:38

lol

i don't have a response to that.

lol

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