

NEWSPAPER

RECEPTIONIST

Metro Daily News. How may I direct your call?

CALLER

What happened?

RECEPTIONIST

Sorry?

CALLER

Don't be. Just tell me what happened.

RECEPTIONIST (FLUSTERED)

Sorry, sir, I don't think you understand. This is a newspaper. Who are
you trying to reach?

CALLER

You! I know you're a newspaper, so tell me what happened.

RECEPTIONIST

What happened where?

CALLER

Over there, where. Where else?

(Cont.)

RECEPTIONIST

Is this some sort of joke?

CALLER

If it is, only you and your kitty cat are laughin'. Just tell me what happened and I'll hang up.

RECEPTIONIST

Would you like a buy our paper?

CALLER

Why? Is it for sale?

RECEPTIONIST (ANNOYED)

No... I mean, yes... and that's really none of your business. I mean... we are a newspaper, so if you'd like to know what happened, I suggest you subscribe to receive home delivery, or go buy a copy of today's edition at your local newsstand.

CALLER

My local newsstand? Wait a second... Ring! Ring! Oh, hello! (PAUSE)

Lady, it's for you. It's 1994.

RECEPTIONIST

Right, I'm hanging up now...

CALLER

No, no! I'm sorry! I was just joshin'!

RECEPTIONIST

You may also see our content online.

(Cont.)

CALLER

Online where? The newsstand?

RECEPTIONIST

The internet. Our web address is www-dot-metro-daily-news-dot-com.

CALLER

Why so many “w’s”?

RECEPTIONIST

Sir, you really don’t need the “w’s.”

CALLER

Too late, I already wrote them down.

RECEPTIONIST

Right, okay. Well, have a good day...

CALLER

Wait! What am I supposed to do with all those words?

RECEPTIONIST

What words?

CALLER

The w’s and the metro and the daily and the news and the com?

RECEPTIONIST

Please don’t think I’m being rude, but do you not know how to
use a computer?

CALLER

Of course I know how to use a computer! I’m calling you, ain’t I?

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RECEPTIONIST

Are you calling me with Skype?

CALLER

It's pronounced "Sky." You and are I talking over the "Sky." For a newspaper lady, you don't know too much.

RECEPTIONIST

Well, now you've insulted me, so I have every right to discontinue this call. Have a good...

CALLER

So you're not gonna tell me what happened?

RECEPTIONIST

You can read all about it online!

CALLER

Online where? The newsstand?

(FX: CLICK!)