

# A Day At the Library

A Short Comic Skit  
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Approx: 10 Minutes

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Description

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Jerry had this idea of everybody lined up at the public library trying to use the 3-D copier at the same time. We got this out just in time, because suddenly everybody was trying to use the 3-D copier at the public library at the same time.

Cast

Edsel: Middle aged, friendly guy

Poodle: Little old lady with a little bit of a wild side

Frankie: A 20-something young woman with a lack of self confidence

Glock: A tough guy—New Jersey or Italian

Librarian: Middle aged woman, soft-spoken but in-charge, and then turns out to be crazier than everybody else

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1  
2 Sound: Scanner, back and forth throughout  
3  
4 Sound: Flipping through a large book.  
5  
6 Edsel: Let's see. The next part should be ... a  
7 camshaft? Yeah, that should work. Okay.  
8 Now, what are the defaults?  
9  
10 Sound: Beeps, electronics of pushing buttons.  
11  
12 Poodle: Excuse me, young man? Will you be much  
13 longer?  
14  
15 Edsel: I have the printer signed out till three, ma'am.  
16  
17 Poodle: It's nearly five now.  
18  
19 Edsel: Really? Wow, I didn't know it was getting to  
20 closing time.  
21  
22 Poodle: Well, may I use the contraption next, please?  
23  
24 Edsel: It's a 3-D Printer, ma'am. And, sure, this part  
25 is almost done. You can use it, and then I'll  
26 go on to the next part.  
27  
28 Poodle: Oh, my. What are you making?  
29  
30 Edsel: I'm making all the parts for a 1958 Edsel. It's  
31 for my Dad for Christmas. He's always talked  
32 about wanting one, and they're really hard to  
33 find. So I thought I'd help him build one.  
34  
35 Poodle: Why would he want such a crappy car?  
36  
37 Edsel: Beats me. I'd think building a plastic Jaguar  
38 would be more fun. Knocking out a  
39 snowmobile might make more sense for this  
40 weather.  
41

1 Poodle: You certainly know about this machine, young  
2 man.  
3

4 Edsel: I've made a few things on it since they  
5 installed it last month. First I made a  
6 footstool. And then a working Grandfather  
7 clock. And now I'm on Part Number 487 of  
8 my Dad's Edsel kit.  
9

10 Poodle: My goodness, how very enterprising. Would  
11 you mind helping me?  
12

13 Edsel: What are you going to copy?  
14

15 Poodle: Why, my little Joey.  
16

17 Edsel: You're going to build a baby kangaroo?  
18

19 Poodle: Oh, no. I'm going to make a copy of my poor  
20 late poodle, Joey. See, he's here in the bag.  
21

22 Sound: Rattling grocery bag.  
23

24 Edsel: You stuffed your dog?  
25

26 Poodle: Oh, yes. But he's shedding worse than ever,  
27 so I need a more, what do you call it,  
28 sustainable model. I miss him so much.  
29 Except for the barking bit. That yapping near  
30 drove me bonkers.  
31

32 Edsel: We can look up the default dog and then click  
33 a few buttons to make it into what you want.  
34 Take a look at this tiny screen.  
35

36 Poodle: It's awfully small. Wait until I get my glasses  
37 on. There. All right. Now what do I click?  
38

39 Edsel: Here, see? This is the default window. You  
40 wanted a poodle, so click there. Did you say  
41 had a little yappy one? You wanna hear a  
42 sample bark?  
43

1 SFX Sample barks, poodle, German shepherd  
2  
3 Poodle: Oh, hell no. Aren't I making a silent little  
4 plastic poodle statue?  
5  
6 Edsel: Oh, no, ma'am. We have a high-end Rapid  
7 Prototyping 3-D copier at the Midtown  
8 Library. The explosive extrusion process will  
9 make it light weight and nearly alive. You can  
10 make a poodle so realistic it'll chase cars.  
11  
12 Poodle: It all sounds very exciting, young man. And I  
13 didn't understand a word you said.  
14  
15 Edsel: So, small, sedate poodle. Now, the default is  
16 brown, but you can check black, white, or  
17 mixed.  
18  
19 Poodle: Can I get one that doesn't poop?  
20  
21 Edsel: I think that's proprietary. Probably fused  
22 deposition modeling. You might have to go to  
23 a Pro Copier Shop for that.  
24  
25 Frankie: (COMING ON) I'm sorry. Am I in the line to  
26 use the 3-D copier?  
27  
28 Edsel: There's just the two of us here, but you can  
29 use it next.  
30  
31 Frankie: Thank you.  
32  
33 Poodle: Is that all I have to do?  
34  
35 Edsel: I think so. The presets are pretty complete.  
36 Just hit Enter and you've got yourself a  
37 poodle.  
38  
39 Poodle: You've been very helpful, young man. Thank  
40 you very much.  
41  
42 Sound: More beeps and scanner.  
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