Team #4

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Plot:

* Convincing Wendell Berry to purchase a computer.

Characters: Wendell Berry (Evan)

Mrs. Berry (Brooke)

Advertisers/Sale Associates (Michael, Shavone)

Narrator (Taylor)

Script Writer (Taylor & Nkeiruka)

Scene 1:

*It’s early spring in 1993. It’s a pleasant Sunday morning and Wendell Berry wakes up to write his daily journal. He sits at an empty table and proceeds to write. Soon, his lovely wife, Mrs. Berry joins him.*

**Mrs. Berry**: Good Morning dear.

**Wendell**: Good Morning.

**Mrs. Berry**: (*picking up the paper Wendell was writing on*) What’s this here?

**Wendell**: (*turning to look at his wife*) My newest manuscript. I’d like you to review it for me.

**Mrs. Berry**: Of course dear, without my revisions how else would your writing be so successful? (*laughs jokingly*)

**Wendell:** (*shrugs off jester*) Yeah, yeah.

(*doorbell rings*)

**Mrs. Berry**: (*stands up*) I’ll get it!

(*Mrs. Berry scowls and walks over to the door*)

*Enter a sales associate. He is present with the newest model of computers.*

**SA1**: Good Morning Ma’am

**Wendell**: (from the background *annoyed*)Who is it?

**Mrs. Berry: (***to Wendell*) I don’t know. (to SA1) Who are you?

**SA1**: (*with lots of energy*) Hello. I am here from The Apple Computer Company. And I’d like to share with you the high efficiency and compact word processer.

**Wendell**: (*walks to the door; next to wife*) What use would I have for that?

**SA1**: Oh sir the possibilities are endless! Aren’t you a very accomplished writer?

**Wendell**: (boastfully) Well yes I am!!

SAI: This computer will help your writing and improve it. You won’t need to rely on your wife; I’m sure she has better things to do, anyway. It’s our newest model and its features will meet ALL of your needs.

**Wendell**: (*with dissatisfaction*) Umm, no sir. I don’t have any needs. I like my wife and her corrections. I don’t need a computer. I’m pretty sure my wife’s vocabulary and writing ability is way better than your computer. Also, computers are so harmful to the environment.

**SA1**: (persistently) Well you can store all your writings on these 5 ¼ floppy disk so that you no longer have to use paper.

Wendell: (*Begins shutting the door as the salesperson reaches hand inside the frame with the floppy disk*.) No thank you we are just fine the way we are. I will never by a computer.

SA1: (*muffled*) I guarantee that you will have more time to spend with your wife if you purchase this computer. More efficient writing!! More free time!! Better storage!!

Narrator

*Many years later, on an early summer morning, Mr. and Mrs. Berry enjoying one another’s company and discussing current events, where interrupted by a knock at the door.*

Mrs. Berry: It is such a bright and sunny morning!!

Wendell Berry: I agree!!

Mrs. Berry: What are we going to do today?

Wendell Berry: Well I plan to take a look at the crops and spend a little time getting more ideas on paper for my next novel. I was reading an article yesterday and would love to reply to it.

Mrs. Berry: (sluggishly) Well I guess that is a good idea. Let me know when you are ready. I will be washing clothes and straightening the house in the meantime.

*Mrs. Berry begins to clean. Mr. Berry goes outside to check on the crops. Knock at the door interrupts Saturday morning chores.*

Mrs. Berry: (rushes to the door) Coming …….. Who is it?

SA2: My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and I would like to show you a wonderful technology innovation that you are bound to love.

Mrs. Berry: (opens the door) I’m sorry, I couldn’t hear you. Would you mind saying that again?

SA2: No problem. My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and I would like to show you a wonderful technology innovation that you are bound to love.

New sales person enters in last scene. He is the brains behind the creation of Apple and the last resort for convincing Mr. Berry

SA3: My name is Steve Jobs and I want to put a ding in the universe!!

Wendell: A ding in the universe? What are you talking about?