Subject: Buyer's Remorse

Posted by Trilling Me Softly on Thu, 07 Feb 2019 02:25:46 GMT

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When's the last time you experienced buyer's remorse after dropping some cash on a fancy item? What made the purchase less than ideal?

I'm not loving my new OLED, fancy-schmancy television as much as my old plasma television. The picture just isn't as bright despite my making the appropriate adjustments. Sometimes I miss my old tube T.V. from 1995. Just don't tell anyone.

Subject: Re: Buyer's Remorse

Posted by Strum Drum on Thu, 07 Feb 2019 18:04:18 GMT

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I bought a fairly expensive gaming computer that I never use. It was an impulse purchase that I made because it was on sale. I'm planning to take it to my nephew the next time I visit my sister. There's nothing wrong the computer, but I rarely play video games now.

Subject: Re: Buyer's Remorse

Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 10 Feb 2019 22:32:27 GMT

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That is curious....really the difference between a gaming computer and a "normal" one is the level of performance. I intentionally buy gaming PCs. They will not be obsolete as fast when doing normal tasks as one that has less performance to start with. It seems that "normal" PCs tend to be made obsolete by changes in software and operating systems in about 3-4 years. A gaming PC can easily do the same tasks and run for a number of years more before having the same problem. It is true they cost a bit more....Of course if all you do is email and casual surfing then a PC may never become totally obsolete, just very slow.

Subject: Re: Buyer's Remorse

Posted by Strum Drum on Tue, 12 Feb 2019 20:41:26 GMT

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Buyer's remorse comes about for many reasons. Maybe you find a better deal a few weeks after you made your purchase, or you stumble across a better, upgraded model for the same price you already paid. Maybe the product doesn't work at all or at least doesn't do what you thought it would do. Maybe the product works great and you got it on sale, but you rarely use it, so it just feels like wasted money. I fall into the latter category. I didn't buy a lemon, but it's still not useful to me and it wasn't exactly cheap so I have buyer's remorse.

I saw it on sale and thought it would be cool to get back into gaming. After all, I loved gaming as a kid and young-adult. It was the nostalgia that got me. I didn't give any thought to my busy life

now or that I already have hobbies that fit with my social and work crowd. Plus, I travel a lot for work, so it's more convenient to use a laptop or tablet. While it's true that the gaming computer will probably last longer, I could have upgraded to a new laptop twice or so for that price. So the difference for me is the price, the lack of portability, and the ease of use. There's also the guilt of buying a frivolous product instead of putting the money into my savings or retirement fund. My nephew will love it though.

Subject: Re: Buyer's Remorse

Posted by sawyer25 on Mon, 27 May 2019 21:12:08 GMT

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It is possible that I have made so many impulse purchases before to the extent of not even remembering a single instance. I think that most of my purchasing decisions have always arisen from the need to replace an old/lost model.