

Trouble at Pizza Pipeline--Solution

I wanted to see a movie at the *multiplex* or drive-in, but I didn't have enough *cache*. So I took the few *bits* of change I had *and*¹ got a *byte* to eat at Pizza Pipeline. I gave the clerk my *instructions* ("One *slice*² of pepperoni, please") but the guy just *stalled*. "I have to *load* the oven first." I said "That's fine, but as soon as it's *finished* you *forward* it to me without letting it cool." He put my money in the *register*.

Then, after what seemed like *+infinity*, he says he's sorry but there's been a *delay*. I tell him to *speed up*! Another *600,000 milliseconds* later and I see him playing with the oven, *setting and resetting* the buttons. He didn't know how to *work* the *controls*! He had *no operational skills* whatsoever. So I said, "Hey, I'm *through* putting up with this! You *fetch* my pizza now or I'll *execute* you!"

Well, that was his *break point*. He *jumped* over the *counter*, broke a soda and waved the jagged *bottle neck* at me. I just took one *step* and *clocked* him. He immediately *flip-flopped* over. I saw a cop outside, so I *exited* without a *trace*. When the cop went inside, I *disassembled* his *multicycle*. When he got back on, it *stalled*. I drove away laughing but lost *control* and ran into a *binary tree*. It put my *front end* out of *alignment*.

The cop said, "Normally I go by the *code*, but for you I'll *make* an *exception*." He picked up a *branch*—a *switch*—and tried to hit me. But his plan *fell through*. I *jumped* over him—his swing was never even *executed*. He should have followed *routine procedure* by *calling* for *backup*, but he didn't. Then we *exchanged* a few *words*. He appealed to *logic*, but I just yelled "NaN-ny, NaN-ny," *jumped* over a *gate*, and *exited*.

¹ And of course every other *and* in the text; I only highlighted this first one.

² Like a time slice of a CPU. This one is optional.