



Herbalife Distributor Testimonials
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From: Paul

Date: August 6, 2012

Allow me to put into perspective the catch phrase "It's not meant for everyone..." Based off Herbalife's company reports from 2011 suggests that over 90% of their U.S. distributors make no profit. You will come across people and websites like Doran Andry, a Los Angeles area success story who brags in promotional videos that his biggest decision each day is whether to drive his Porsche, Bentley or Jaguar. To recruit prospects into opening Herbalife Nutrition Clubs, Andry's Website (cmwellnessworks.com) presents a spreadsheet showing that you could be making \$55 million in annual profits within 10 years of opening your first club. His calculus, however, assumes that your territory will grow to 27,475 clubs over that decade. An Herbalife spokesperson said that such an income projection isn't realistic.

The distributors who follow them are mathematically doomed to failure because, as the group grows, it becomes more difficult to find new distributors to bring in. The distributors at the top of each network get paid from the sales of those below. Herbalife's annual reports disclose the commissions earned by their U.S. distributors- but the disclosures tabulate commissions for only a top fraction of their networks—giving a distorted picture of what a distributor could expect to earn. Only by digging into the footnotes of those reports, and checking other filings at the Securities and Exchange Commission, can you estimate that the tables leave out 90% of Herbalife's distributors. Disclosures by Herbalife are daunting: only 1,200 people made it into the 0.2% sliver that got more than \$100,000 in commissions (HELLO!!! that's world wide).

The Consumer: If you are a consumer you have the luxury to buy similar to the same product and quality at a much lower price (albeit different brands). For example: Herbalife Protein "Rebuild Strength," at a whopping \$75 a pop can be bought by another brand for as little as \$35.

Bottom line! Enrique Carrillo is the exception- where most of you fall in the 90% who will see little to no profit at times. For these reasons turnover is high- Herbalife's SEC filings do a good job of documenting the churn within its ranks. Last year, it lost 51% of its "active" distributors worldwide. One positive note: the same report showed Herbalife's ranks in distributors are only growing among Hispanics. The so called "Nutrition Clubs," in Las Cruces are on every corner and outnumber Starbucks 3 to 1. However, they are closing at an alarming rate due to the income earned is less than the amount owed for rent, product etc.

Source: <http://www.complaintsboard.com/complaints/herbalife-c136092.html>

From: Jennifer

Date: December 9, 2009

Terrible experience

First off, I would like to say my heart goes out to all those who have invested huge sums of money in Herbalife to come up empty. In December 2006, I saw a commercial on T.V. I had seen this commercial several times before but finally decided to go to the website and sign up for the DVD which was \$9.95. I got a call from my soon to be 'mentor' a day before the DVD arrived. I wondered how she got my information and asked her if she was affiliated with the television commercial. She acted as if she didn't know what I was talking about. She asked me a bunch of questions to see if we were a 'match.' She asked me how much money I would like to make every month and how much my current job paid. After all that, she gave me this wonderful testimony of how she's well on her way to making the money she's always desired. I promised to watch the DVD and hung up kind of excited.

When I got the DVD, I watched enthusiastically. It was like watching a fairy tale with a happy ending. Doran Andry and his wife Emiko had the huge house and fancy cars we've all dreamed of having. He talked a good game about how he made \$200k, and on up to 1.1 million in one year. After I watched the DVD I had to set up an appointment with my 'mentor' and some guy named Ed Borrowe. This took place on New Year's Eve and they told me since I was so serious and willing to work on holidays, I would definitely be successful.

To make the long story short, I signed up for the business pack and more 'sample packs.' That mentor was really pushing me to become a supervisor and purchase the 4000 volume points of inventory. I flat out refused because after all, they stated that I did not have to stock inventory. I was told to set up business accounts, get business phone lines, get an account that can charge people's credit cards, get business cards, leads, sample packs, a phone line where I couldn't speak to anyone directly but just accept messages, get useless websites that no one would ever visit and the list goes on. That's over \$1000 right there. I was getting married in a few months. I was 24 years old and wanted to make money to cover some wedding expenses.

Dialing those leads was degrading and pointless. I can't count how many times I've been hung up on and told that I have the wrong number. One time I called a woman and tried to send her a sample pack. When I told her it was Herbalife (the mentors and upline don't want you to mention Herbalife but this lady asked...) she said Herbalife products are responsible for her high blood pressure. After listening to my mentor and her upline (which is supposed to be connected directly to Doran Andry himself) they all sounded brainwashed. It became disgusting to listen to them. I finally freed myself from this mess after 5 months of spending money that I did not have and not even breaking even. I googled Herbalife and found out what a ripoff this is. I should have done this before I spent my hard earned money. My advice to anyone would be to run as fast as you can. I could go into passing out 2000 fliers a day to get 15 interested prospects but I'll spare you that. The more I got involved with Herbalife the more I found the business model made no sense and was impossible to 'follow the program.' What doggone proven program?

Source: <http://www.ivetriedthat.com/2008/11/17/ive-tried-that-investigates-the-online-business/>

From: Allie

Date: August 14, 2012

Thank you sooo much for posting this! Herbal life should go to hell as far as I'm concerned. I've been constantly invited into their "business" from replying to job ads. It is disgusting that they make money off of people like this. Especially when you point out that only 5% make a profit and your trainer leeches off of all your easy contacts. I just got a reply for a "position that pays \$15/hr" but they wanted me to register for the site and email them my confirmation number to make sure I paid my hard earned cash. I went to one of their meetings in Torrance a while ago thinking it was a legit job and it was a full out soap opera of followers and "wellness coaches" saying how herbal life gave them energy (hello, their products have more caffeine than a cup of coffee), saved their life (highly doubt they had a serious condition), help them lose fifty pounds (yeah, sure with what other aids). Sorry their products, prices, and convenience level for clients who MIGHT be interested is not competitive with similar products on store shelves FIRST OF ALL. It is DISGUSTING that everyone is so quick to get your money. After the meeting they pressure people to pony up \$\$\$ for catalogues to get started. I was shocked when the guy sitting next to me gave his credit card number and RIGHT THERE in front of us the "Coach" called his wife and was like "honey, run this credit card number..." I would never want to be a part of this sneaky company; they should be shut down for the amount of FALSE JOB postings they create. Waste of my time, but I can assure you that they will NEVER get my money!!!!

From: Robyn

Date: November 3, 2011

I am now dealing with the repercussions of my actions by submitting my \$10.

I then had buyer's remorse and thought I should find out whom I am giving my money to and just investigate more. Well, there is NO contact info. given up...this is always a bad sign, I found it in the "privacy" section at the very bottom where you would think to find out what the terms of privacy are.

Also, they don't disclose to you that it is HERBALIFE which you will be representing. Why do companies do this...simple, bring in the suckers for a measly \$10 and then \$40 to return their goods and they've pocketed \$50 x how many suckers....you get the idea. I realized my misjudgment in making this non-thought-out decision and immediately contacted them after they called which by the way is a human being but reading from a script. I indicated I wanted to cancel my order and she would pause but then carry on with the script. They have received my CANCEL this order via email and then sent a second email asking to review my decision to give me more info and by the way, we sent you the pkg. already. I bet you did! Now, if this was a legitimate company they would have said who they are and what they do and how to find us. If you were a displeased customer and they wanted to keep you happy even though they wanted to make a return immediately, they would have taken back the item and made it right for the customer. End of story. Customer happy no bad words. PLEASE, don't be a sucker like me and give them your hard earned money. This to me is how they make theirs by poor suckers like me.

From: Mike Garrett

Date: April 10, 2009

This is hilarious. There is a get rich quick scheme advertised on radio called IncomeAtHome.com

Just for kicks I went to the site. Absolutely nowhere on the site does it say what their product is or what their company does. It just promises to send a package of info when you send them \$39.

So as I tried to click off, it went to a chat form. I decided to have some fun and the following is the exchange between them (Kelly) and me (shown as YOU) in the chat.

Here goes:

Kelly Says: Just type 'HI' or 'HELLO' in the space below to let me know you are there...

Kelly Says: Learn how to save thousands of dollars in cash every year with a home based business — you'll get our free information-packed guide 100% free. [CLICK HERE](#)

Kelly Says: Just let me know you are there...

Kelly Says: Whenever you are ready, just type 'HI' or 'HELLO' and we can get started...

You: what is the product you are selling? Maybe I missed it but didn't see it on your website

Kelly Says: Understandable, but please don't hesitate, this is a limited time bonus offer that I am authorized to give you right now through this chat. [CLICK HERE](#) because this offer may not be available tomorrow.

You: No, I'm sure it will be available tomorrow. Please tell me the product that you are selling

Kelly Says: Let me explain a little more. OBS is a cutting edge marketing system that allows you to build an internet-based business from the comfort of your own home.

Kelly Says: We are associated with a company that does over \$3 billion in sales and is publically traded on the New York Stock exchange.

You: selling what, exactly?

Kelly Says: OBS will help you launch your business and give you all of the tools that you need and a personal business coach — the time is now! [CLICK HERE](#)

Kelly Says: We are so sure that this package will work for you that not only do we offer a 90-day money back guarantee, less shipping, but we will include the Home Business Tax Guide for FREE!

You: what will the coach be coaching me to sell?

Kelly Says: Just [CLICK HERE](#) for the secret order page with this bonus offer.

Kelly Says: The Home Business Tax Guide for FREE is only available through this chat and for a limited time. Please don't miss this great opportunity.

You: I don't intend to order until you tell me what it is you sell

Kelly Says: This is a Home-Based Business that works for regular, everyday people... and we guarantee it!

Kelly Says: With our guarantee what have you got to lose?

You: ok, sounds great. Just tell me what you sell

Kelly Says: Congratulations! [CLICK HERE](#) and you will soon discover a faster and easier path to working smarter, not harder. We are excited to be in touch and look forward to speaking with you soon!

You: I'd love to speak with you...just as soon as you tell me what you sell

Kelly Says: Not only do we include the book, video and computer DVD, but we actually include the name and direct phone number of your personal business coach!

Kelly Says: All this for just \$39.95 plus shipping. It's an amazing offer! Just [CLICK HERE](#)

You: Wow! But what is it you sell?

Kelly Says: Would you like to take advantage of this last minute bonus offer?

You: sure

Kelly Says: Fantastic... just [CLICK HERE](#) to get back to the order page.

You: ok, but one more question....

You: Can you please tell me what exactly it is that you sell?

You: Are you still there?

Kelly Says: I'm still here. what can I help you with?

You: oh, I'm sorry. I guess I was a bit confusing in the way I posed the question. Would you kindly tell me what it is that you sell?

Kelly Says: Just remember, the **ONLINE BUSINESS SYSTEMS Decision Package** comes with our 90-day money back guarantee (less shipping & handling fees) and now for a limited time we'll give you the Home Business Tax Guide for FREE and get a Prioritized Home Business Consultation.

Kelly Says: Your satisfaction is **GUARANTEED** [CLICK HERE](#) for this last-minute offer.

You: ok. You win. You must have lots of fun at this game. Good night.

Kelly Says: Alright, thank you for your time and have a nice day CLICK on the "X" in the upper right to end the CHAT.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/home-based-business/premier-team-online/premier-team-online-home-busin-338p6.htm>

From: Ira

Date: May 25, 2005

Premier Team Online Home Business System Aka Herbalife International false advertisement lead me down a path of begging, borrowing, and not getting a dime Work at home ripoff Internet Nationwide

Heres my Herbalife story. I needed some money to get back in College, it was about 10grand. So I figured I'd look into work at home jobs to try and get some quick and easy money. ya im 21 and im dumb.

I answered an ad in the paper that stated: Computer Help Wanted. Earn \$25 - \$75 hour. PT/FT. Training Provided. it had a number and this website www.bdbglobal.com..since I had alot of comp. programing experience I thought, this shouldn't be to hard.

Boy was I wrong. The web site was full of testimonials with no desc of job. I then was stupid and used the last of my money to get the decison package of \$39 + s/h. that included a cd, vhs, and booklet, again full of testimonials. then came what i like to call, "my boss", Debbi Bailey.

She's a nice gal, and she helped me as best as she could. She advised me that I needed to pay around \$300 for Internation Bussiness Package, which I had to borrow from parents. It came with some products that I had to use, and some marketing material and more testimonial stuff.

After wasting my time with "homework", which was online training if you want to call it that. Then there were this consumer training calls that i had to listen in on, which where like confrence calls and had tons of other people listening to more garbage about how to sell, and more importantly becoming a supivisor.

I then sat down surfing one night like I always do and came across this website. After reviewing tons of reports about herbalife I decided I better quit now before I become worse off.

Then I thought to myself - how'd I get to this point. It was from answering an ad in the paper for computer help earning \$25-\$75 pt/ft. Wait a minute. It doesn't mention anything about retailing, which to my knowledge isn't computer help. And it also doesn't mention all the investment required.

False Advertisement!

I will be updateing this report as soon as I talk to Debbi and find out what she tries to do in order to keep me as one of her downlines.

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Source: <http://smallbusiness.yahoo.com/advisor/answers/small-business-20080321081234AA0Zp7M.html>

From: AC

Date: 2008

Hi I have been a PTI member for over a year now and I would advise you to move carefully. They advertise it as an income opportunity, and sometimes as a job which it is not (if you were not recruited this way, you will need to be ok with deceiving others in this manner to join your team). You will need to invest anywhere from \$180- \$299 just to start, plus \$19.99/mo for pti membership, plus \$17/mo for a toll free number, plus hundreds more dollars in internet lead and even more for newspaper ads and fliers, etc, etc, etc. It goes on and on. You will also be pressured to achieve (aka: purchase) the supervisor level- cost: \$2500- \$3000 depending. They encourage this very strongly and while they dont openly say you should, most testimonials say they used a credit card, loan or sold possessions to do this. After one year I was considered a "Success" I sold over \$10,000 in product and got to be "earning" over \$1500 per month. By the way my cost of business with advertising was about \$2000 per month. I ended the year with no savings and an \$1900 credit card bill. I was told to tell people that I profited \$1500 per month and not to mention the cost because it was "my choice what I spent my profits on". So that is the scoop. Even if you are okay with spending a large amount of money and working a lot of hours away from family for no pay, you also have to be okay with duping other hopeful, poor people into doing the same thing. They also encourage you to do other questionable things like put fliers on atms, pop machines, etc, which is illegal (private property) and to ignore when people threaten to call the police on you. The products that we sell are good, but it's hard to find clientel and often times it doesnt work and people want their money back. In that case you end up taking a huge loss (someone buys a program for \$200, you pay \$150 to the company and keep \$50, then they want their money back and return the containers to you. You are then responsible to give them \$200 from your own pocket plus pay to ship the product containers back to Herbalife and the company then sends you new product, which you can resell, but that in turn costs more money in advertising and shipping and time just to break even at that point. I hope that answers your questions and that you proceed with all the info. Good job looking into it ahead of time! I wish I would have.

Source: <http://www.consumeraffairs.com/nutrition/herbalife.html>

From: Debra

Date: January 20, 2013

I found a PR piece about a job working from home on my computer. When I responded to the information, they required \$9.95 to be paid to send the packet off in the mail. Immediately, I started to get emails from Leslie ** urging me to call immediately to set up an interview. She wanted me to review the info in the packet beforehand in which I had by the time of my interview. Upon going through the glossy folder & CD filled with hype, I still had no idea about the job. Upon our interview on the phone the following Saturday, I discovered that this was an MLM business with Herbalife, not a job. I am experienced with MLMs and Herbalife. I would not have spent a dime of my time if that was disclosed initially. Immediately, I told her I was not interested. She pressed on further as if defending her position. Leslie then conceded to send me a return packet email with instructions that I promptly followed returning my packet through UPS with a copy of the email sent to me identifying Leslie ** as my contact.

In the weeks that followed, I contacted her several times about the return as I had not received a confirmation from my bank for the reimbursement. She told me that if it was not returned promptly, they would charge me an additional \$39.95 for the packet. Subsequent monitoring of my statement, I found an additional charge of \$39.95. I sent ** a copy of the return receipt received from UPS for them to confirm my mailing at least twice. Finally, 2 months later, when I told her that I would file a complaint with the Attorney General offices for AZ & CA, she sent me a refund for the \$39.95, which I am happy to have received; however, I was still bilked for the initial \$9.95 without recourse and the return shipping fees \$3.21, in which I would not have incurred if I had known that this was a business opportunity instead of a job. Not until they had their hands in my pocket was that info offered and by then there was no way out.

From: Harold

Date: September 26, 2012

I signed up, went to group training, and all they were doing was bragging about making "\$1500 profit the first night" or "currently making \$18,000 and up, near the president's level of \$23,000 per month". Then they said, "buy this blender for \$29.95 before they run out (and be sure to get a few for work, and for friends)" and we would have to wait until further shipments come in to reorder. Then, they go off on a tangent about a yearly event on some tropical island and we should put in our reservations as soon as possible! What a bunch of **!

From: Peggy

Date: March 8, 2012

I, too, fell for the get-rich plan from Herbalife. My so-called mentor Patty ** from FL has made me wait 60-plus days for a \$200 refund that should have been done a week after I refused the package with my starter kit. I let her know before my money was taken out of my account that I couldn't afford to put any more money into the plan when she stated that she still needed \$70 for further services I needed to even start working. She said that she understood and a refund would be no problem. Well, as stated before, 60-plus days later and I still have not received the

refund and have gotten a run around from everyone I have talked to at Herbalife about their mentor's non-compliance.

From: Dana

Date: November 11, 2011

Caroline ** contacted me and emailed me about this fantastic opportunity to work from home so I could be with my child and earn money. She arranged a time to talk and was all professional about everything and then I paid \$9.99, then \$39.00 and then \$325.00. I stopped because it was getting more expensive. I was being drowned in testimonies about how fantastic this company is and how much money I would make if I just paid more money. Then Caroline had the nerve to tell me that if I don't do anything to change my life nothing will happen.

Seriously, I don't at all have \$325.00 to spend. I didn't really have the first lot. Why is this happening? Why are mothers and the unemployed being tricked into this? Why hasn't it been stopped yet? How can they advertise this on TV? I'm so upset and I know that I am a real human with real feelings and you can't mess with me life with this and get away with it. You can't do this to our mothers who are trying to help their families by earning some money while working online.

From: Edmund

Date: June 19, 2010

I was contacted by Brian at Herbalife and he came a pitch on how to work from home. The income I would make, he sent me 2-month supply of Herbalife at the cost of \$400.00. This included a bag and some DVDs. Well, his coach got into our conversation and the talk changed from me working with them to how much credit do I have and if I couldn't come up with \$2,000.00. They really couldn't help me get a supervisor position, which by the way you buy. So when I couldn't afford that amount, I suggested starting as a distributor so I can at least make some type of income. He dropped me and never contacted me or returned my calls. He ripped me off of 400.00 dollars.

From: Isabel

Date: February 16, 2010

On Jan. 12 I signed up with LineLogix and paid \$39.95 for an online business training packet. Even before I got my packet in the mail, I was called by a Heidi ** (who also goes by Heidi **) who claimed to be my coach. I told her I preferred to talk to her only after I had read the material.

When I received the material by FedEx on Jan. 15, I followed the instructions on the kit and emailed Heidi and we arranged a call appointment for Jan. 18 at 7 pm. A few minutes before the appointment, I got a call from Heidi asking to reschedule, which we then reset for the next night. But when I missed the next night's call and tried to reach Heidi by email to rearrange a new appointment, I could only leave messages on the numbers she had given me, which either

went directly to voice mail or was answered by some really sour woman who sounded very offended that I'd called that number.

When I finally sent Heidi a message that I wanted to be assigned a different coach as it was obvious she and I were not working out, all I got back from her was a very aggrieved text message on my mobile phone. When I wrote her an email, she said my account would not be cancelled, transferred or refunded unless I returned the packet she mailed me. She also said she could not help me find a replacement coach.

I mailed the package back on Jan. 28 according to the instructions I was given and thought that was the last of it. On Feb. 11 my visa card was charged again another \$39.95 by Heidi **/retail merchant. I have since called Heidi several times to complain about the charge but as of today, Feb. 16, I have not heard back from her.

I now have had to call my bank to put a stop payment on any future transaction charges from Heidi. Unfortunately, the bank can only stop payment on the retailer posted. Should Heidi change her name, she can still use my card, which she has already done for this second charge. Now I am the one inconvenienced further by having to file a fraud claim and cancel my Visa card and get another that this Heidi **/ Heidi ** scoundrel has no access to. Line Logix and Herbalife should do something about this person as she is obviously ruining their good name.

Source: <http://obsscarn.blogspot.com/>

From: Eric

Date: June 13, 2009

Don't be fooled by the catchy title!!!

Hey people... My name is Eric and I would like to tell you all a story about my experience with Online Business Systems. I got tricked pretty bad and my only purpose with this blog is to warn everyone of the tricks involved with Online Business Systems. I know I don't know any of you, but believe me... I don't wish this scam on anyone. Please read this before considering ANY online business. Believe me... I've tried a lot.

My venture with Online Business Systems began about a year ago. I had recently separated from the active duty Air Force to join the reserves. I had just gotten married and needed money to start flowing fast. I started searching the web for proven ways to make money online. One of the sites I kept seeing over and over was Online Business Systems. They obviously do a lot of advertising. I did my best to research it but couldn't find much information. You wouldn't think a company with so much to offer would try to hide so much. Believe me they are hiding a lot of VERY important information. But... I didn't know that so I sent \$9.95 to receive an information package about Online Business Systems. When I received it, I read everything, listened to everything, and watched everything. After about an hour of studying... I still knew nothing about who Online Business Systems were or what I needed to do. About a day later I got a phone call from someone who introduced himself as my "Personal Business Coach". He tried to explain how the information package was a screening tool to find people who were serious about wanting to start an online business. He told me the next package was going to have everything I need to start a successful internet business. So... I purchased it for \$400 and waited.

I was so excited the day my package arrived. I put it in my living room and called my business coach for instructions. He told me to open it and lay everything out. I saw a few books and CD's. Most of the content was vitamins and protein shakes. I was very surprised. I thought I was getting an internet business package... not a health kit. He told me that WE represent a company named Herbalife. Herbalife?... What a rip off! I was a little upset but he assured me that this was strictly a profit business. NOT... He had me sign up for a retail website (I never sold a thing) for about \$20 a month. THEN... He had me sign up for a Business website called My OBS Backoffice. It had some training audio on it and a bunch of tips. I tried this business because I didn't want to need help from friends and family. The ONLY way to start up is by selling to friends and family.

My coach told me the only way to rocket my business to the next level was to become supervisor level. You get a bigger discount on the stupid vitamins and stuff. The only way to make supervisor is to sell \$4000 dollars worth of stuff in a month. So... He convinced me to place a supervisor order and start selling. I spent \$3000 dollars on it. Now my house is full of weight loss vitamins and shakes. I still had no idea how to sell any of this stuff. He told me to make flyers and posters and put them all over the place but not to use the Herbalife name. He obviously knew no one would call knowing that Herbalife was a scam.

I tried for months to sell everything but nothing seems to work. To this day, I'm still stuck with a bunch of stuff, about \$2500 worth and this is a year later. They trick you with catchy names and

promises of instant money and yes... I was stupid enough to believe every word. Now... I was smart enough to get back in the Air Force. Now... with a loving wife and a good income, my new side project is to test internet scams and warn people through blogging. Please Please Please write a comment of story about your experiences (good or bad) and together we can warn everyone about the danger of Online Business Systems scams, Herbalife scams, and any other scams someone else finds. thanks for reading and good luck out there.

I have had some good luck lately with my latest venture. I've been looking for businesses with very low start up costs. The best one so far has been Google Revolution. The online instructions are \$1.99 and the rest of the websites are provided for free by google and amazon. It takes work and effort but there are no fake wealth promises and no lying coaches to suck you dry.