



Herbalife Distributor Testimonials

Source: <http://bobcathoh.50megs.com/GOS/board/1242.html>

From: Stanley

Date: March 26, 2004

My name is Stanley and I have been in the Global Online System(selling HERBALIFE products) for more than one year. I lost more than \$7000 Canadian in total following all their rules and attending all thier trainings. All my downlines lost on average \$3000Canadian (of course,some of them are not serious as I was). I met Debbie Stoltz, her husband Gerry, Martin Lyttek, Shawn Dahl, Dwayne Norris and my coach Deborah Haskins personally. I don't know if I should call them "bad" people or not. But the reality was they "had to" lie to everyone interested in the system and get them to pay.

Joining and working in the Global Online System was a completely nightmare to me. It was the biggest regret in my life. Here are the BIGS LIES that you will hear in the Global Online Training.

Lie #1: Global Online System(GOS) is a business offering better opportunities for making large sums of money than all other traditional business and professional models. If you don't make money, it's because you complain too much and you are not serious.

Truth: For almost everyone who invests GOS turns out to be a losing financial proposition. I was losing money every single month in the business (from Mar 2002- Mar 2003) working 10 hours per day, but I had to lie on the stage that I was making large sum of money.

Lie #2: Eventually all products will be sold by Global Online System, a new form of marketing. Retail stores, shopping malls, catalogues and most forms of advertising will soon be rendered obsolete by MLM.

Truth: Most my downlines were forced to sell their Herbalife products through Ebay since their products simply didn't "move". Most GOS customers quit buying the goods as soon as they quit seeking the "business opportunity." There is no brand loyalty.

These basic facts show that, as a marketing model, GOS is not replacing existing forms of marketing. It does not legitimately compete with other marketing approaches at all. Rather, GOS represents a new investment scheme that uses the language of marketing and sales of products.

Lie #3: Global Online Sytem is a new way of life that offers happiness and fulfillment. It is a means to attain all the good things in life.

Truth: It was a miserable year for me and all my downlines. I told my coach Deborah that I was depressed since I had no more money in

my bank. She told me not to tell my downlines about it and suggested that I should ask my parents to borrow money.

Lie #4: You can do Global Online System in your SPARE time. As a business, it offers the greatest flexibility and personal freedom of time. A few hours a week can earn a significant supplemental income and may grow to a very large income making other work unnecessary

Truth: THIS IS THE BIGGEST LIE!!! Working in GOS requires extraordinary time commitment as well as considerable personal wiliness, persistence and deception. Beyond the sheer hard work and special aptitude required, the business model inherently consumes more areas of ones life and greater segments of time. They say "work at the comfort of your home with your kids", but this is a BIG LIE! They encouraged me to go out there and do pull tabs and posters every night during winter!

Lie #5. Global Online System is a positive, supportive new business that affirms the human spirit and personal freedom.

Truth: GOS materials reveal that much of the message is fear-driven and based upon deception about income potential. Solicitations frequently include dire predictions about the impending collapse of other forms of distribution, the disintegration or insensitivity of corporate America and Canada, and the lack of opportunity in other professions or services. Conventional professions, trades and business are routinely demeaned and ridiculed for not offering 'unlimited income.' Employment is cast as wage enslavement for 'losers.' MLM is presented as the last best hope for many people. This approach, in addition to being deceptive, frequently has a discouraging effect on people who otherwise would pursue their own unique visions of success and happiness. A sound business opportunity does not have to base its worth on negative predictions and warnings.

Lie #6. Global Online System is the best option for owning your own business and attaining real economic independence.

Truth: GOS is NOT true self-employment. 'Owning' an MLM distributorship is an illusion. Participation requires rigid adherence to the 'duplication' model, not independence and individuality. GOS distributors are NOT entrepreneurs but joiners in a complex hierarchical system over which they have little control.

Please help me spread this msg out. I am tired of seeing victims being blamed about not being serious enough.

Source: <http://www.rickross.com/reference/herbalife/herbalife12.html>

From: A former Herbalife distributor

Date: August 2002

I am an Herbalife distributor, but am currently sending back inventory and resigning from the company.

My husband and I spent over \$8,000.00 in this business through inventory, promotions, "trainings," travel, and marketing. We blame ourselves for our ignorance, but feel that it was the obligation of Herbalife International and our upline support, to inform us of all the costs. That means the marketing costs, and before having us sign on the bottom line.

Herbalife's promotional materials are clever. The costs are in the decision packets behind all the wonderful testimonials, but the numbers were either played down about costs and/or over inflated for profits. It is our fault for not reading everything more carefully.

We don't even have the means to go up against Herbalife, even if we could prove false disclaimers. How clever is that?

When we first thought about backing out of the business, when hidden costs started to surface, we asked our upline. Big mistake. We asked if we could get our money back. But we were told, "No" or "I don't know." Uplines need your monthly HAP order commitment, to get the commissions to cover their own costs.

We then asked Herbalife Distributor Relations for our money back. They said, "No."

So we went forward and worked harder, thinking, "It will work, it will work." And that all we needed to do was improve ourselves. You see we felt it was our fault, when things didn't work out.

But I was not getting results and our marriage was falling apart.

We were having trouble selling and recruiting. We poured our hearts into personal development. I even started to have anxiety attacks over finances. Our monthly business meeting felt more like a confessional, than a business discussion. There was nothing professional about it. Just talk about hard times and personal stories. And everyone was high on "personal development tapes." I really felt emotionally trapped.

We are good people and we wanted to believe that there might be a better way to make a living. We wanted out of the "rat race."

We finally closed it all down. At last I got the correct information about product return, but our savings is gone and we are starting from scratch again. And it seems that we were no big loss. Our upline didn't even care. But they sure cared when we had the money!

So now we eat humble pie. We are definitely looking at EVERYTHING now before leaping.

My advice to anyone considering Herbalife is don't fall for the emotional testimonies. And don't allow your money to fly away the way we did. Be smart and research all the facts independently by yourself first.

Source: http://www.rickcross.com/reference/newest_way/newest_way2.html

From: a former NWTW participant

Date: August 2001

The group known as the "Newest Way to Wealth (NWTW) has been using [Herbalife](#) as the front line "product" in their efforts to recruit people. I went to a NWTW seminar and saw all these Herbalife distributors talking about how they were making huge incomes with this mail order system.

I started with NWTW and within the first month had spent nearly \$8,000.00! Far more than the supposed start up costs of approximately \$2,300.00, which they had previously described to me.

From this point on it all began to turn into a nightmare. I was told to "do whatever it takes" to continue working my 90-day plan and "not to give up at any cost." If I stopped I would never move up their marketing plan and make my money back. So there I was, spending more and more money, just to "keep the wheels turning" and hoping that I could at least make my money back.

I was advised to order all these very expensive supplies, booklets and mailing lists and then set up three different toll free voice mail boxes. I also was encouraged to buy Herbalife products for myself, call all of these long distance training numbers every day, get a private mail box, open up a separate checking account, sign up with a credit card vendor, get an extra phone line at home and to always make the next training session and on and on and on!

They kept telling me to "get to all of the trainings no matter what and at any cost." That is, if I was going to be successful! So now on top of all my other expenses I paid for airfares, hotel rooms, car rentals and all the other expenses that went along with traveling to these trainings.

After almost four months of all this I am now nearly \$30,000.00 in the hole!

Even worse, I was given scripts, which essentially told me to lie to prospective distributors about who I really was. This also said that I didn't have to answer up front questions and it encouraged me be evasive as to what I actually did, until it's too late for someone to back out.

NWTW does not fully disclose its true startup costs, nor the actual amount of money someone may spend. And it seems to me that people are to think they will be making \$20,000.00 per month within 90 days or less--if they will just sign on with this Company! It's not until the next scheduled call that they explain the \$20,000.00, is actually a gross volume sales figure and not net income! But by then you are already signed up!

I worked so hard all of my life to have what little savings I once had and now it's all gone! I don't even know if I will have a roof over my head next month because there is no money left! This is a travesty!

Source: <http://www.mlmwatch.org/13Victims/fox.html>

From: Susan Fox

Date: February 14, 2004

In 2001, my husband and I worked outside the home, were both unhappy with our jobs, and were probably vulnerable at that time to a "work from home" sales pitch. One morning there was a business card in our door with a link to a website. We checked out the website and were intrigued and requested more free information. After reading a blue booklet, we opted for more information, which cost about \$35. When it arrived, we realized that the business was Herbalife, as the package contained some free samples. At that point, we should have followed our gut instinct and backed off, but we didn't.

We were contacted by phone by a couple who would eventually be our sponsors, and also by their sponsor in Wisconsin. It was always a 3-way phone call. They persuaded us that the only way to start making money quickly was to come in at a supervisor level. We wanted time to think it over but they objected. Perhaps if we had given it more time, we wouldn't have done it at all. Everything was rush, rush, rush -- time was of the essence it seemed. They were very good at the sales pitch, made glowing promises of making money, brushed away our concerns. Very high pressure here from the lady in Wisconsin. We entered at the supervisor level, which required purchasing \$4,000 worth of inventory (products). After that was done, there was no going back, no way to refund on that. Then we were told we needed to purchase voicemail accounts, one for products & one for recruiting, at \$20 a month, each! We were told we needed to switch our long distance carrier for a Herbalife carrier, we needed to purchase blue books, cassette tapes, videos, distributor kits, open a business bank account, and purchase business checks, product catalogs. The list seemed endless. We were told we needed to switch from DirecTV to Dish Network so we could purchase the Herbalife channel. We refused to do that. We laid out hundreds of dollars to purchase everything else we were told we HAD to. It wasn't until much later we found out all these were actually options and could have waited.

We tried very hard to build our new business. We sent out the letters to friends, associates, and relatives. We placed ads in newspapers across the U.S. and put up flyers, distributed business cards everywhere we went. We worked all day and then spent 3-4 hours every evening, 5 days a week, distributing flyers and cards, making cold calls, or making preparations. We talked weekly with our supervisors (at our expense), who told us how to advertise and how much to do. The newspaper ads alone averaged \$300/month. We went to seminars, wore buttons, and talked to strangers constantly, all encouraged by the company. Most people requested the free information (blue books). We were required to mail out at least 25 of these a week. However, few people were willing to spend the \$35 for additional information. We eventually sold two or three distributorships. We had very little luck selling the product itself. People thought it was just too expensive. I made 3-way calls (once again at my expense) with potential customers and my supervisor, trying to sell product. My supervisor eventually gave up trying to help me sell the products this way! We were left to flounder by ourselves. Friends and relatives were the only people we were ever able to sell products to.

When we complained to the supervisor, we were told to keep doing what we were already doing, only double our efforts. We were barely making enough money selling products to cover our business expenses. We were also required to call the Herbalife network phone directory daily to listen to pre-recorded "pep talks." They calls averaged 30 minutes to an hour, and we also paid for the these calls. Herbalife also requires that it's distributors pay annual "membership dues" of over \$50 to remain a distributor.

My husband and I gave this business adventure 20 to 30 hours per week, doing everything we were told to do while our advisers continued the empty promises of residual income checks. The most we ever got from Herbalife was a check for \$3, not the thousands as promised. We were also required to place a personal order for ourselves that HAD to total \$100 or more a month, each and every month. After almost a year had passed the Herbalife business left us thousands of dollars in debt with nothing to show for it. At this point our immediate supervisors had quit the business and we were dealing with their supervisor in Wisconsin. She just flat-out quit helping us or returning our calls. We decided to cut our losses and the supervisor in Wisconsin agreed to buy our recruiting supplies and pay for the shipping. I sent off 3 large boxes to her and had to contact her repeatedly to get her to pay for the items. She finally did, but she stuck us with the shipping cost of over \$80. We finally sold the rest of our inventory on eBay for a pittance of what we originally paid for it

Herbalife distributors used to plaster flyers everywhere and put up signs in vacant lots. After the Arizona Republic published an article about it, many people felt it was akin to littering and the city passed a ordinance prohibiting these types of advertising practices. Many other cities have similar laws, and I believe that enough fuss was made that most Herbalife distributors are now using the Internet and newspaper ads.

To sum up: Herbalife pressures, bullies, promises and pledges to support and help. We were lied to and basically left on our own. Even though we tried as hard as we could, our supervisor decided we were more trouble than we were worth. The only people that make money in this business are those who have an army of distributors under them and an unlimited income to flood the market with advertising and mass mailings of blue books.

My husband and I were left thousands of dollars in debt, but much wiser.

Source:<http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:vTw6LJua25UJ:scam.com/printthread.php%3Ft%3D1264%26pp%3D25%26page%3D3+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us>

From: "DaisyMT59"/Enid

Date: October 27, 2005

Hi,

I am going to give an update about my experience with The Online System since joining last April, 05. I posted at the time, but felt I had a very sincere coach and I wanted to give it a chance. I thought in time I too, would be making money. Although, I never purchased any slots for "The Wheel", I did purchase enough inventory to become a supervisor. That was so overwhelming to me at the time that I called my coach and told her I would not recruit, but I would retail. She sounded like that would be OK.

I have advertised over the Internet, both free and paid, made flyers, sent out COI letters and put ads in my local free newspaper. (Which is not free to post an ad), done a "drawing" and gave away many dollars worth of samples. In 7 months I have made about \$500.00 I have listened to their Online training recordings and even attended a Live 2 day training session. What I got out of it was use the products, Sell the products and Make Money! I feel that The OBS is looking for a far more aggressive pushy type of personality than what I am. I was told that the Decision Package (\$39.95) was a screening tool. The Online System chooses you! I didn't realize this at the time I bought. If people are not interested they wouldn't want them on their team anyway. I just wanted to go into business for myself and work from home. I didn't realize I was joining any team. I was just looking for support and guidance. I realize in most businesses it does take time to build clientele. I am a patient person, but I feel pushed to "build" my business and to do it fast!

About 2 weeks ago I received an E-mail from my coach who was going on vacation and she wanted me to do one of her "Z-calls", I was not comfortable with this, since I had specified earlier that I was not interested in recruiting. After a couple of sleepless nights I got up the courage to e-mail her and "her coach" to tell them I would prefer not to recruit , but I would do it this once as a favor to my coach. "Her coach" then wrote me back and said she would do the call, I also received an E-mail from my coach meant for "her coach" which was about me. I will say this much, it was not flattering! :(I felt very hurt. You know she thought she was doing me a favor and I couldn't even do a simple "Z-call"! She knew now not to count on me ever having a downline. (Now I know how she feels towards me.) I then proceeded to e-mail them both back and wrote that I if I couldn't just retail, maybe it would be best for me to resign. The thing is I can not resign from the OBS unless I am also resigning from Herbalife. I have nothing against Herbalife. Their products actually have helped me to gain weight and being underweight all my life I am happy about this.

I just sent a letter today to Hebalife telling them I am considering resigning and asked if they would take back my unused products and refund me. I read their manuel and the procedure sure sounds complicated to me. I hate to give up, since I have spent months trying to get the news out

about my business, but in a way I feel like more like I am an employee for the Online System. I have voiced my skepticism to the upline team member, but her response is "Why are you skeptical?"

I admit I have a problem saying no and am easily talked into things. Hopefully I will learn from this expensive lesson. I had no debt other than my student loan when I started, now for the first time in my life I have charged on my credit cards far beyond my comfort level.

I thank you for letting me vent my frustrations on this site.

Enid

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/on-line-business/online-business-syst/online-business-systems-globa-9m435.htm>

From: D from Akron, Ohio

Date: February 21, 2005

I recently read with ambiguous emotions of dismay and gratitude that Global Online Systems was fined \$150,000 for operating an illegal pyramid scheme. I was personally bilked for about \$13,000 and I "recruited" many others who lost a great deal of money as well; in fact one client accrued \$15,000 worth of debt over this "lucrative" home-based business opportunity. We were continuously told to invest more and more and more money into advertising, and advised that our businesses were failing because "we weren't spending enough on advertising."

I want to advise people that in September of 2004, a large group of Global Online Systems members branched off as Online Business Systems; this group is spearheaded by Shawn Dahl and Glenn Kirkpatrick. They have a new website, but utilize the exact same tactics and scripts that Global Online Systems used. Verbatim.

I started this business with Global Online Systems around August 2003 and got out of the business in October 2004. Basically, I was forced out by a key member, namely Phil Keogh, because "my organization was complaining too much" about the inordinate expenses each month for leads (getting forced out was actually a blessing in disguise). For example, giving \$1000 in advertising to these clowns at the beginning of each month, we would receive 8 to 10 leads (at the most 12), some of which weren't even legitimate credit card numbers to process. (They now have a clause on their website indicating the "advertising is not guaranteed" in any way shape or form, which protects them from any liability.)

Many, many, many people have lost thousands and thousands of dollars given to these scam artists at the beginning of each month for what they call "group advertising" or the "internet marketing wheel."

I just thought that perhaps people might want to be made aware of this, and that Online Business Systems should be part of the ongoing investigation into illegal pyramid schemes as well. These people are representing Herbalife International, and I have found that these products are extremely overpriced and difficult (if not impossible) to reasonably market. In addition, in order to participate in certain Fast Track or Focus Groups (which is where the awesome training occurs that is supposed to practically guarantee business success), they require that a client be classified as a "Supervisor" with Herbalife (this is typically a \$3,800 investment) and also have at least one internet wheel slot (cost of \$500 per month for each slot; they strongly encourage us to buy three per month for a total investment of \$1,500!!). Plus, you are required to purchase those Decision Package kits (\$180 in lots of ten) and Operations Manuals (\$120 in lots of 5) and Training Tickets (\$150 in lots of five) in order to do the friggin' business. Furthermore, Herbalife dings the hell out of you for shipping, handling and tax for every order that you place!

In hindsight, this whole scheme is utterly ridiculous! Where are all those advertising dollars going

each month??? There is absolutely no accountability financially for these invested dollars. It's based on a factor of trust and faith. What a scam! No one that I know of made any money (and several of us tried really, really hard); rather, we all accumulated a massive amount of debt.

Many of the people that I recruited, including myself, genuinely tried to make this business work. We believed in the system and what we were being told, however, we all lost a lot of money. Most of the debt we incurred ranges between \$7,000 and \$15,000!! It's bad enough that I got myself into a very serious financial crisis, but frankly, I'm living with a lot of guilt now because I got many other people in the same exact boat. And for that I'm very sorry. I was just as naive as them and certainly didn't intentionally try to hurt anyone. I am now a very cynical person because of this experience, and I never was before. I was always sought out the best in people, tried to help everyone in any way I could, and generally believed that the majority of folks were decent.

Furthermore, all of the clients that I was ever involved with were from the U.S. Perhaps these guys are protected under some international guidelines, which is why they typically dealt with people out of Canada. I don't know.

Bottom line: Don't get wrapped up in this deceptive business!! It's not a business really, just brainwashing tactics to get you in deep enough financially; then you are compelled to stick with it, hoping to get out of debt and achieving those ambitious financial goals that you're continuously promised will happen with perseverance and consistency. This is a really bad business venture!! Take my word for it. All you really need to do is objectively (the operative word here is "objectively") consider the tactics that are being employed. In hindsight, it's very evident. Frankly, I can't believe I was affiliated with a group like this for so long. I have a master's degree in business management and considered myself business savvy.

Source: http://bloggerstar2.blogspot.com/2008/03/re-mlm-survivors-club-re-need-info-on_620.html

From: jonathon

Date: March 13, 2008

From: jonathon

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 6:56 AM

To: mlmsurvivorsclub@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: [MLM Survivors Club] RE Need info on Herbalife

On Thu, Mar 13, 2008 at 4:33 AM, Greeley527 wrote:

>exactly what it takes to become a distributor

The ability to flat out lie to people, despite being sent cease and desist notices by the FTC.

The willingness to kill people, by conning them into believing that their allergic reaction to the products can't possibly be an allergy to the products, but has to be from something else.

> agree to be a moral person

Morality and Herbalife are mutually exclusive concepts.

>and how much money do I need to give someone to sell Herbalife>?

Multiply the value of all of your assets by the value of all of your liabilities.

Now double that figure.

That is how much money you will owe when you file bankruptcy because you were a Herbalife distributor that swindled people into joining that organization.

Remember, Herbalife was convicted once of being a pyramid scheme, and pled nola contendre once for being a pyramid scheme.

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If you are trying to lose weight, there are a myriad of programs out there that are cheaper, safer, and more effective than Herbalife.

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Source: <http://www.wahm.com/forum/telecommuting-moms-34/6268-herbalife.html>

From: Mandi

Date: July 8, 2005

I would suggest staying far away unless you want to heavily recruit.

I personally tried this when I was 18 and my dh, then boyfriend, was 20. We worked our tails off for a whole summer and made nada. We weren't typical "teenagers" doing it either - we followed the directions step-by-step, he's a graphic designer and designed all our materials, etc. We spent HOURS driving around with flyers.

At some point we realized that we had been sucked in and that it's mostly the people at the top who make the money.

Also, I don't -- this is just me, personally -- like pushing weight loss products because some can be dangerous, and it's not really a good way to lose weight and get healthy.

Some of their other beauty products are really good, BUT I think the market is pretty saturated and Herbalife tends to be the bottom of the barrel for beauty supplies because their specialty is weight loss.

Source: <http://exherbalife.blogspot.com/2008/08/welcome-to-exherbalife-blog.html>

From: Anonymous

Date: August 3, 2008

Welcome to the ExHerbalife blog

I am starting this blog , on the first day that I am quitting as an Herbalife supervisor.

It's time to face the truth. I am NOT making money. I am in debt, I am behind on mortgage payments , and I am losing my marriage.

This is not the dream I had when I started in the business.

I have done all the training, in fact , I have been doing this "full time".....and that is an understatement....I am working 80 hours a week , and going nowhere.

I can no longer con people into front-loading thousands of dollars in products. I can no longer promote products that have the same value as the ones in Wal-Mart. I can no longer be friends with people who make money off of selling leads lists , over-priced training materials and such.

It's a very sad day for me. I really want to live the dream , but I can no longer sell my soul in order to get it.

On this site , I am going to point out the TRUTH .

Source: <http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005.html>

From: Peggy W. from Faber, VA

Date: March 20, 2004

Hello

My name is Peggy and I am one of the nuts that signed for Newest Way to Wealth. \$5,000 and I have not made one cent. My sponsor will not take my calls, Herbalife would not take the products back. They said for me to call my sponsor. I tried selling my products on e-bay and got a hot letter from Herbalife to cease. they were going to take legal action against me as I was no longer a distributor. Im 64 years old living on social security. The \$5,000 was put on a credit card. God help me. How could anyone be this stupid. Is there anything I can do to get some of my money back?

Thank you

Source: <http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005.html>

From: Jim Felter

Date: 2004

Dear Rob,

I was sorry to read your web site too late before the damage was done.

Herbalife plus others left my family in ruins. We did not catch on until we were ten thousand dollars in credit card debt and now that I have lost my regular job with no hopes of finding another because I've become disabled we have no more money coming in. Let me be clear it was not all herbalife, we also tried Retire Quickly, and Pre-Paid Legal & MyEliven.com all these were fruitless endeavors and continued drain on our credit which two years ago was rated at 1A. Now we stand to lose everything including our home. We are in a bad place right now and it sickens me that companies like these can do this to people simply by leaving out the facts as you have shown them on your sites. There seems to be no re course unless you have money to fight back. these People pretend to be your friends, it's all a con that hurts people. I am sure that we are not the first. All I wanted to do is protect my family and give them security all I have done now is brought us ruin and heart ache.

sincerely,

Jim Felter

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_2.html

From: Richard Mitchell from Queensland, Australia

Date: 2005

Let me introduce myself. My name is Richard Mitchell and I am from Queensland in Australia. I recently signed up as a herbalife distributor because I saw the ad's that you have been talking about on your website. They were all over the place. I have huge credit card debts and when someone says I can make \$1500 a month, I didnt really think about the consequences I just knew with that sort of cash I could pay my credit cards off fast.

Anyhow, I paid my \$35 for my information pack and I read the information. I then paid my \$277 for the IBP. At this stage I found out that the company was herbalife (I had never heard of them).

They said in their books that you didnt need to keep an inventory and that you could make huge ammounts of money. So ofcourse I am thinking.....sweet.

I spoke to my mentor and this is when all the hidden costs starting coming up

Firstly, I had to place an initial 550 volume point order at the cost of nearly \$1000 for my inventory (but the books said I didnt need an inventory).I refused to place this order. My sponsor then said I was wasting my time and shouldnt bother being in business if I wasnt prepared to make a sacrifice.

Then I was told I had to sign up for a herbalife retail website at the cost of US\$100 for setup and then US\$40 per month. On top of this was the business opportunity website they said i needed which would cost an additional US\$100 for setup and US\$40 per month.

I then needed to setup TouchFone which was a cost of \$22 a month plus a toll call to get my touchfone messages.

They then said I would need a business bank account, a business credit card. I had to goto <http://www.vistaprint.com.au> and purchase fliers, business cards, banners for my car etc..

Once I had purchased all these things I had spent a huge deal of money and my credit card bills were looking worse than ever.

I went about placing fliers on cars and doing the herbalife surveys at my local shopping centre. I attending all the training seminars they recommended.

I spoke to my sponsor and said I wanted out. I just couldnt afford to keep paying the monthly costs without seeing some return on my investment.

She just kept giving my the spiel "This is your own business and you have to invest money to get

started" and "The harder you work the more you will get out of it"

I have not been a distributor for a little short of 3 months and have seen nothing in return.

I told a good friend of mine about my situation and they did some research for me and came back to me with a list of websites (which is how I got your email address).

I took a good look at these websites and was shocked to see that Herbalife is basically a "lie."

I regret ever signing up for a Herbalife distributorship and I am about to write a letter to Herbalife themselves saying I would like to distributorship cancelled.

Thank you for everything you are doing. You are saving people a lot of time and money. I am grateful for your websites and the amount of time and effort you have put in to researching about Herbalife.

Thank you,
Richard Mitchell

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_2.html

From: Venu from Bangalore, India

Date: 2005

Hi Rob,

This is Venu from Bangalore, India. I just finished reading your original article on Herbalife at www.cockeyed.com and I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate your research. I happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time a couple of years ago, having attended a couple of closed-door motivational Herbalife meetings meant to net more distributors. It was easy to fall for all that revolutionary brou-ha-ha about changing the world (or at least, our city) with their tried-and-tested miracle products. I shelled out Rs. 1500 (around \$30) for the distributor kit and pored over the manuals for a few days, attributing my puzzlement at some of their policies to my lack of knowledge about the larger picture. Can you imagine, they are still telling everyone that Mark Hughes, the star founder of Herbalife Inc. is still its CEO (a DEAD person is CEO!?) I do think that you have to be desperate to stay in this 'business'... while pounding into our heads some ways to approach people, my mentor actually told me to stand at a petrol pump (gas station) and chat up the people who came for filling up ... I have done those things too, like cautiously putting home-printed fliers into people's mailboxes at night, getting snarled at and chased by dogs, being told off by security personnel or castigated for intruding on someone's property... I seriously considered becoming a supervisor at one go, that would have halved my bank balance, but thankfully I didn't because the maths just didn't add up... I have bought that promotional material my mentor said I would surely need to succeed, trying to brainstorm my way to making thousands of rupees in profit... made the much-awaited sales calls and seen the 'oh nooooo... not this again!!' annoyed look on people's faces.... tried to recruit new distributors by placing an expensive ad in the paper, of which only 4 made it to the venue for the induction meetings, and none of them signed up!... all this in just over a month's time, I guess I didn't take too long to figure out their game. Why, at one of the so-called-trainings, I asked a supervisor-trainer about ephedrine and its harmful side-effects, and you wouldn't believe how he clammed up. I think they might be dumping these in India now, since people in your country didn't let them get away with it. I vaguely recall seeing 'Ma Huang' as one of the ingredients on a bottle. I realized that the truth about this business is, that the money is made not by the distributors but by the company, when they coerce you into buying their starter kits and badges and assorted rubbish. When something stinks so bad, you've got to get out and close the door... that's what I did, and I'm lucky I did that, before I compromised on my ethical standards and lost all my friends to boot.

For a long time, I wished I could warn more people about falling for this work-from-home scam, but I don't know how. Two years ago, they had made their presence felt loud and clear. Today, I see ugly posters and car stickers and newspaper ads all with that hideous slogan.. "lose weight now, tell me how". It hurts to see they're still around :-)

Thanks and good luck,
Venu.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005_2.html

From: David Plant

Date: August 7, 2005

I live in the UK and the problem is just as bad over here, with the flyers on lampposts and poles all over the place.

My wife and I got sucked into the "scam" with promises of riches beyond our widest dreams by some friends who were apparently making a huge success. They introduced us to the guy who brought herbalife to the UK, and yes he had made pots of money - well the percentages raked in from mugs like us - big surprise.

We coughed up £2,500 (around \$4,000) and set off. We posted the flyers under windscreen wipers in the local car parks and crept around like criminals putting up the flyers on the lampposts when the traffic subsided, and lo and behold after a month we had two clients - what a success story!

Well, we learned the hard way, and it didn't take too long for it to sink in. The only way to make money out of a business idea (especially this one) is to be the one who had the idea, or be very close to him and get some other mugs to do the hard work! Yes some made money, but they were the ones with the personality of a used car salesman and scruples to match.

Now it rears its ugly head again - in the form of Global OnLine Systems. I have just been laid off and am looking for employment and other interesting opportunities, so when I received an email from one of the online agencies I have registered with (Jobfastfind.com) I thought it was a creditable approach. I intend to register a complaint with Jobfastfind.com.

Well, gradually, through the presentation I sensed the familiar smell of Herbalife, even though not a single mention was made on the entire web site, so I Googled "Global Online Systems" and top of the list came your site, confirming my suspicions. I found your site extremely interesting, highlighting the insidious practices of the Multi-Level Marketing Industry and Herbalife in particular. Let's face it MLM is Pyramid selling tarted up to make it legal, regardless of what Herbalife will tell you.

So, thank you for being there to stop me from parting with any more money - \$50 is expensive trash, because that is where it would have ended up as soon as it hit the doormat and the real identity revealed.

If you are ever looking for an international angle on any of your future features, I'd be glad to contribute.

Keep up the good work.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005_3.html

From: Donna Gorenflo

Date: October 17, 2005

I got suckered into this program back in year 2000. Spent all the necessary money to get the "info" on the so called "business". Once I found out what it was I thought I'd try it. Spent over \$2000 to get to the "Supervisor level". Needless to say I was stuck with GIVING away these products just to get rid of them and ended up throwing away a bunch of it too because I was too afraid to use it or give it away after it had expired. I had way too much inventory to try to sell myself and it was stuff people were just really not interested in. After all most "herbs" you can get at a local drugstore or natural herb store. And, as you said there are tons of websites out there with these products and to get business to your website you'd have to spend a fortune to advertise or market it.

I found you site while looking up "Global Online System" in the Google search engine because I saw an ad where someone is trying to help others get started in a home-based business..and in the text of their website I found the words Global Online System and I figured it was a cover for the "real" business.

Thanks for warning others about this business. Definately one to stay away from!

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_3.html

From: Frank Folkerts from Ava, MO

Date: November 1, 2005

I have lost a lot of money with Herbalife. Now looking back on it I can see all the mistakes that I made.

First, the way that you make money with Herbalife is to get your distributors to consume as much product as possible by hyping them up with group phone calls and having the upline constantly giving them pep talks about filling the pipeline. It takes time for the pipeline to fill up and then your money will flow in. By that time you are broke.

Second, the other way they make money is to start up a sideline business. One lady sells names for mailings. Another sells the flyers for the mailings. There is a group that sells software so you can keep track of your sales, which are almost nonexistent. Your mentor constantly talks you into signing up for phone service, credit card machines, and an array of other so called business related necessities. Of which they get a kick back.

As a Herbalife distributor you are treated as a sow hog with everyone looking for a nipple to latch onto. And after they have gotten all they possibly can from you, they lose interest in you real quick.

If you need anymore information for your story, write me. I would really love to prevent anyone else from being scammed by this outfit.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_3.html

From: Robin Shilkey from Jefferson, WI

Date: November 23, 2005

Thanks for your internet article on Herbalife. Unfortunately, it was too late for me as I lost about \$20K to them two years ago. I am still paying off the debt. I got out because I could not bring myself to do what they wanted me to do to make sales and recruit people. It just didn't feel right. Too many half truths and blatant lies.

Thanks for trying to save others from this company.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_3.html

From: Sue from Fremont, CA

Date: November 1, 2005

Rob - I wish I'd read your information sooner. I spent the money for the 4,000VP AND have bought more for my son to try and other promoting tools. I had a feeling in my gut but thought it was my own "fear." The sad thing is I think my "mentor" really is a nice guy but he had the money to invest. I told him I one credit card in collections and I was on disability and have been ill for a while. He thought "this was perfect" because I would be motivated. Just like some others I read I, too, have felt worse since taking the products - nausea, headaches and weight GAIN. After telling my mentor what was going on, if he had any "soul" would have recognized that I maybe wasn't a good candidate. Sure in the past I was a go-getter but I've been ill for 10 years and haven't worked in 5! Do you think I could really go out all of a sudden and be comfortable talking to anyone and have the energy to work on this 8+ hours a day? No. In fact, the stress of this has made me more depressed and it's only been a month.

I have canceled all accounts and websites (3 of them: 1 for product, 2 for work at home). I had a Merchant Account, etc. Maybe I would have recouped some of the money after a while but after reading your stats I know it would have been a long while and I would still be putting out more than I was taking in.

What's really sad is my mentor was a Christian like me and also a recovered alcoholic like me - both of us sober quite a while. But as a Christian he should have been more sensitive to notice that I just wasn't well enough to do this. Even if he just started me as a distributor that would have been better. I bot so stressed out after a few weeks that I cried for days.

It is clear to me that only those who have the money to invest and a go-getter personality will be successful. I was impressed by the "coaching" I received but after I knew the basics and showed an understanding I stopped getting daily phone calls from my coach.

I, too, was shocked about Mark Hughes. I know anyone can fall from grace but this is big. I was also pulled in by the medical personnel on their board and the CEO who used to work for Disney. I should have just done more research.

Hopefully with the money I get back and recouping my loss during tax time I can get my dignity back but I have definitely lost a few thousand.

Keep up the good work.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_4.html

From: Ashley

Date: October 20, 2005

I just finished reading your article, and I wish I would have found it sooner. I became an Herbalife distributor through a company called "Global Online Systems" a little over a month ago. I went to a search engine and typed in "work from home" and found the Global Online Systems page. The website did not tell about the products in any way, shape, or form. They just stated something like, "What do you do when you run out of milk? Go to the store. That's what happens with our products, but they aren't sold in stores, so your customers will come back to you."

I submitted my e-mail address and requested a free video. They have replaced the 14 page booklet with a free video. This video still does not introduce the products, only gives testimonials and shows the fancy houses and cars. Of course, I never took the career part of this seriously. I'm a full time student and work full time, so I wanted something I could earn extra cash easily and quickly with.

The prices you mention in your article have gone up as well. The first package your purchase is the International Business Pack which is \$48.95 and includes manuals, marketing tips (including the hot pockets and flyers idea), and a button to wear that says, "Lose Weight Now, Ask Me How". After that there is another investment to become an international distributor that costs \$399.00. With this you get samples of the products, training videos, marketing videos, advertising videos, and a training cd rom. (I think it needs to be mentioned that the advertising video contains testimonials from the "highest paid" distributors). The others I did not open, so I don't know what they contain. You are now able to PURCHASE two websites (retailing and recruiting), there is also a reaccuring fee of \$12.95/month/website for the websites. To use the websites you must also sign up to accept credit cards online which is expensive in itself and also carries a monthly fee.

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ To this point we've invested quite a bit of money. \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

Now that we've bought the materials it's time to get started, but wait, what's the product? Oh, it's another diet corporation and they want me to lose weight so I have a testimonial! I don't need diet pills...nobody will believe I lost 40 pounds, I'd be dead if I did! Now it's time to become a supervisor and buy those 3,000 volume points for \$2,000.00

On your website you mentioned shipping and handling for \$1.25. Not anymore, try a minimum of \$6.00 Even if you only buy a paper thin booklet, you have a \$6.00 S&H fee. What's the point of keeping the products on hand? If you have them on hand why should your customer expect to pay

S&H, it's not being shipped from anywhere. So you lose all of your S&H investment.

The prices in the catalogue are so highly priced (but you don't get to see that until you've already paid over \$400.00) that nobody will want to even try the products. You can get them from avon for over 90% cheaper. I couldn't even sell single product to my own mother. Usually mothers are the easiest target. That's when I knew I would never earn my money back. I canceled my websites right away (thank goodness I hadn't changed long distance plans or received credit cards yet). Now I'm in the process of shipping all of my products back for a full refund (you have 90 days to get your money back).

Just thought I would share with you.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005_4.html

From: Suzanne

Date: January 8, 2005

Yes Rob...people should do their homework before getting involved with Global Online Systems aka Herbalife. I'm just getting out now. It took me about \$7,000.00 to finally figure out that I have been a SAP SAP SAP! Suzanne

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005_4.html

From: Charlene

Date: January 29, 2005

Rob,

Just wanted to let you know that you are right about everything in your story. I got suckered into Herbalife & now I am trying to get my money back that I spent. They are charging more for their starter packets now. I hope you can make a difference in California. People need to know that Herbalife is just a scam to get your money.

Charlene

I lost close to \$5000.00. Ouch!

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccessful/unsuccessful2005_5.html

From: Rob Phillips

Date: March 19, 2005

Two years ago I fell for the Herbalife opportunity. This was a group, now as large as David Beven, called 60 Minute Money, run from South Florida, initiated a few years ago by Russell Gain, Palm Beach FL.

This is a further scam to conceal the fact it's Herbalife. In fact take a look at our website www.the-success-happening.com , the one out of three sites, the recruiting one.

I was conned all the way, and now both my wife and I are ill, and splitting up because of the pressure. It's fine until the investment money runs out, then you are left to rot.

We were told 8 months in that we were the best distributors ever to enter his organisation. Now we're broke, ill and splitting up. Please look into this organisation and warn people they need \$200,000 minimum to make it work.

thanks

Rob Phillips, Herbalife Global Expansion Team Member.

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_5.html

From: Edwin Cartagena from Australia

Date: March 31, 2005

Rob, I just read your article about Herbalife, and it's very good, It seems to me like you read, and read a lot to put everything together...

And I know what you're talking about, because I was a Herbalifer before, actually when everything started in DownUnder,...yes they give you all this fantasies, and dreams about making money, here and there, and nothing ever happened, in fact, my "mentor" in USA.

Told me if I keep on working as hard as I was I would make lot of money, and fact was that I lost a lot of money -- Why, because the market was so saturated with "work from home oppor..." that opportunity didn't give anything in return ...in fact, my and my wife lost about \$1000.00 Australian Dollars, that's about \$760.00 USD. just to join! Or to be Supervisor, ha!

For what? I never got to sell anything, offline and online!

All my efforts were "unworthd" ha!. You know I was just looking on the Net, just to see how Herbalife was doing, and after I read your article ...they're doing fine --- the distributors bad...

In Australia, they passed along a new law on enviroment care, and that law forbids the use of E-Poles for any kind of advertising, why? because they saw it coming...in fact, before they approved this law, the streets in Australia were a bit "saturated" with Herbalife ads, and promotion !!! No joke!

On the other hand, I tried the products myself and nothing ever happened, I didn't lose a gram...nada! --Anyway, keep the good work ---I know what you talk about when you wrote what you wrote in that article ---I'm with you mate!

Source: http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/epilogue/unsuccesful/unsuccesful2005_5.html

From: "Rob"

Date: May 10, 2005

Hello:

I was one of Herbalife distributors for over two years. You are so right that hardly anyone makes money. I did not. In fact I lost over 100,000 in this business – always hoping that the business would improve.

One correction thought – the first order either for 2500 US dollars or 4000 US dollars is always at 42%. One has to order product for 2,500 dollars i.e. 2500 VP and for us Canadians it used to be around 2700 2800 dollars. The 4000 VPS used to be an order around 4300 dollars @ 42%.

Though I am not doing the business any more, it really bothers and hurts me when I see more and more people are being sucked into believing that they can make money in this business.

Keep up the good work.

Rob - did your life suffer, losing all that money?

You bet my life suffered! I used up all our son's savings for university. I used up most of our retirement money!! What else can I say?

I would stay up at month end till midnight to see if I had enough volume for the month to collect 5% royalty. Then at the last minute, I would fax in my own order to meet the deadline. When I resigned, I had about 20,000 dollars worth of inventory. I asked my up line to help me sell it as she had collected almost 17% royalty (I was signed up under her daughter, so the daughter and then the mother above her collected royalty on whatever volume I produced). My up line refused saying that they are qualifying for some CRUISE VACATION and cannot help me in any way.

My advertising costs on the radio and TV used to be almost 1500 dollars a month.

YES I SUFFERED AND SUFFERED A LOT!!!

Please do not publish my name anywhere. I would like to stay as far away from them as possible. By the way, I was a GET Team member, i.e. Global Expansion Team Member!!

Source: <http://www.freewebs.com/herbalifereport/mystory.html>

From: Anonymous in New Zealand

Date: undated

It's funny. It's never a problem until it affects you, and when it does, it's suddenly the biggest problem in the world. It is these sorts of things that my Herbalife experience has taught me. Being down here at the bottom of the world - New Zealand, I never saw this coming. However it is this one company that has now wasted a lot of my time and money - and I'm not the only one that has been affected. It has affected hundreds of thousands of people worldwide.

It seemed simple enough. I called up a person, whose "work at home" ad I had seen in the local paper. There were many of these "work at home" ads - little did I know that they were all from the same company - Herbalife. When I called I was greeted with an answering machine, and so I left my contact details. The next day I got a phone call from a "Herbalife Distributor." However, he didn't introduce himself as that, in fact he didn't even mention the word Herbalife for a long time. He was with the "Work at Home Business Centre", and was here to "help me make a lot of money."

Well, I fell for it, it was convincing. Little did I know that the same speech he had used on me, he was using up to 10 times a day on many other people from around the world. But most of us have heard of this "work from home" scam, they know that it doesn't work, because if it did, why wouldn't everybody be taking advantage of it? I hadn't heard of it before, and it sounded great, so that weekend I went along and met my "sponsor." \$220 later, I had registered with the company, had an 'International Business Pack' and some "weight loss" products, which my sponsor had sold me. He told me I needed to lose some weight, well I didn't, but he convinced me that I needed to start taking this stuff.

I had spent \$220 and off I went, deciding that my best approach would be to start small and build my business up - "Herbalife has a money back guarantee", my sponsor told me, "so I've got 3 months to get started, and if it still doesn't work, I will take it all back, and get my money back", was my strategy.

Back home I was ecstatic - I was going to be rich, and make my \$5000 a month, within the next week or so. I tried to watch the videos that came with the pack, but they were meaningless. There was no way in hell I was going to wear a badge that said "lose weight now, ask me how", and they were expecting me to sell this stuff to my friends and complete strangers. I couldn't take the products myself, so how would I ever be able to sell it to other people!

Now don't get me wrong here, so far it sounded like I haven't put in any effort. But I did, I eventually wore the badge, and tried my hardest to sell this stuff to my friends, but they wouldn't buy it, especially at the price that I was trying to get for it. "\$65 for a weight loss shake, I can get it for \$15 down at the supermarket, that's a rip off" was the sort of response I got.

Okay, so this isn't going to be that easy - but that's alright, my "sponsor" is making "\$15,000" a month", and he can tell me exactly what I need to be doing. I tried my best to get a good answer of what exactly I should be doing. So far, I have been told I will make thousands of dollars, and this was the best thing that has ever happened to me. However, I was never really told exactly what to do, and when I was, it was extremely difficult. I definitely had my doubts, plenty of them, but my sponsor was cunning and very convincing. When I questioned the system, he always had an answer - things like "It's worked for thousands of other people, it will work for you." Off course, this was only partly true. It may have worked for a few thousand people, but what worked for a few thousand people, wasn't going to work for hundreds of thousands of people.

Of course, my Sponsor always had a solution to my every problem – well, at least he tried to make out he did! "Set up a website" said my sponsor. I've always loved the net, and so selling on the Internet seemed the logical way to go. So off I went, spending \$200 on a website and the "special features of the 'work from home' website, which magically brings people who are interested in working from home and buying these products straight to your site." Well, to be honest, I did actually get one or two people signing up, but when I called them, they weren't interested at all. In fact of all the people that I called to try and sign them up as 'Herbalife Distributors', about 90% would ask me "Is this Herbalife", and I would respond with "yes, it is" and with that, they would say "no thanks".

I started to realise that it was a lot harder to sell these products than it seemed, and even harder to convince any body to sign up with Herbalife. I thought this system was perfect, I expected to make millions. I tried to tell my sponsor, and he didn't like my attitude. It was like his life evolved around this system. Once again he managed to convince me. He talked of "Dream Stealers", people who will try to wreck my dream by telling me "lies" about Herbalife. "They don't know the facts", he said. "You know the truth, and you can make millions and then show them". This was the sort of response I got. However, I couldn't help to start to get convinced by what these "Dream Stealers" were telling me about Herbalife. Why? Because the more I got into Herbalife, the more I realised that I could never sell this stuff to anyone, not without feeling like I am ripping them off, and not without lying.

But how could so many people know about this. When I first signed up, it seemed like the greatest thing ever. There were 35 million people buying these products world wide, and the market was just waiting for people like me to sell them these products, which they would be willing to pay whatever it takes for them to get it. Well, here's the truth - there are just too many distributors and not enough customers. Something I wasn't aware of when I signed up. The market that I was in was saturated. Only a lucky few were making money by selling these products. The people making money with Herbalife had got in early, and as a result they had a large percentage of the retail market. It also meant they were high up in the chain, and thus earned a very high royalty cheque each month, because of other peoples hard work.

My story doesn't end here though. This is just the beginning. I continued to call my 'sponsor', in fact I really started to trust the guy. He seemed honest enough, and seemed like he wanted to do his best to help me make money. But this all was false hope. I kept telling him my problems, that

I “can’t sell this stuff”. He kept telling me about this “exciting trip to Adelaide that will change by business.” He wanted me to meet him again so we could discuss where we can go from here. So once again I meet with my trusted sponsor to go over my new plan of attack. He wanted me to do all that I could to get to the Adelaide event, which meant, he said, I would need to purchase \$5000 worth of stock to get there. I didn’t even have close to \$5000, or even a customer, so my biggest fear was - what happens if I can’t sell this stuff? So I asked him, “What will happen if I can’t find anyone to buy this stuff off me?” He gave me a simple answer, with I accepted at the time, “Once you have the products, you will sell them, because there will be a motivation for you to do so. Secondly, it’s the only way you can get to Adelaide, which is where you want to be right. And if all else fails, there is a ‘Herbalife buy back’, so you won’t lose anything. You will sell all the products in a month, and make \$5000 in the process.”

It was the prospect of money that kept me going. Spend \$5,000 and get \$10,000 back – that was the plan. My sponsor told me to put it on my credit card, and I will have the money back within the month. Well, you can imagine what happened. Two months down the track I had \$5000 worth of stock sitting in a cupboard - I had no money, no customers, and no help. I was stuck. I had brought all these products from Herbalife, because a man I thought I had trusted told me to do so. But he didn’t even call me anymore. I brought it, he soon realised that I wasn’t going to sell any of it, and his job was done – he got paid.... at my expense. I had a credit card bill the size of Texas, and had nothing to show for it. Expect a whole lot of over-priced weight products - I had been sucked into this scam.

That was my experience with Herbalife, one complete waste of my time and money. However, I would like to leave you with one important message out of my experience. There are 3 main problems with Herbalife. Universal Saturation, Human Greed and the Bad Herbalife Reputation. I found all of these out during my Herbalife Experience. There was no one there to buy these products, there are too many distributors and simply not enough customers. The products simply aren't trusted by the general public, and even when they are, they are far too over priced for the average Joe worker. I never meant to scam anybody when I was a Herbalife Distributor; I just simply got desperate. This is where people get trapped. You pay so much money trying to get your business off the ground, that when somebody interested comes along you do whatever it takes to sign them up - the emotion of greed takes over. Lastly, the Herbalife Reputation. 90% of the people I talked to warned me about Herbalife, and I don't blame them. Herbalife does not have a good reputation, and as a result, people aren't interested in getting involved with this company. The day I see the end of Herbalife will be a good day. Herbalife will continue to look for suckers out there, those that don't know about the saturation, the greed and the bad reputation. It's been stated that 1 in 3,300 people succeed as a Herbalife distributor. And it is those people that are usually the ones that have had to cheat and scam to get to where they are.

Source: <http://www.rickcross.com/reference/herbalife/herbalifevisitor.html>

From: Anonymous visitor comments

Date: Undated

"I wish I had found your site before I signed up. There is a new team in town the eTeam. This group uses the DVD that Doran Andry's group uses to recruit new people. They, like Doran, expect you to invest \$4,000, to acquire the supervisor level. If you don't join at that level, you soon get dropped. My experience with Herbalife for the past six months have been hell. Soon after joining, my sponsor stopped responding to me leaving me alone in the huge Herbalife world. I have invested almost \$10,000 and have made \$0. At present, I have a complaint filed with the Ethics and Business Practices department. I waited a long time to complain because the way that the rules of conduct are written, especially in regards to changing sponsorship, they seem almost threatening to new distributors. They practically say, that more weight is given to the sponsor than the distributor. They say that this request is granted only by Corporate Managers, and only under extenuating circumstances (not defined)."

"I was also a Herbalife distributor for five years and never made it past the supervisory level. I spent \$55K+ trying to get to the Global Expansion Team (GET) level. I finally woke up in August 2004, after spending yet more money (for airfare, hotel and food) to attend a so-called 5-day change-your-life meeting at one of the joker's (i.e., an ex-principal of the Newest Way to Wealth) homes in Scottsdale, AZ. His so-called mansion was a modestly priced home with a huge pool and no back yard. I was so turned off and disgusted by the lies and puffery that I made my decision to immediately resign as a distributor. Too bad that it took me five years to learn that this was nothing more than a pyramid scheme and too bad that I didn't come across your website before. I trust that others will really do some thorough research before getting suckered out of their hard-earned money."

"They convinced me to apply for as many credit cards as I could at once to get access to the credit. They suggested doing it this way because all of the companies would be looking into my credit at the same time and would issue the credit, not realizing I would be getting 10 other cards. I accumulated \$10,000 in debt and was not making any profit. Thankfully, I got out of it before it got even worse, and even more thankfully, my husband didn't walk out. I cannot believe what a schmuck they made of me. I tried to get in on the lawsuit, but never received a response. Herbalife is just a horrible company. How do they sleep at night knowing how many lives they're ruining?"

"I am in the same boat as the rest of them. Six years ago I got involved with Herbalife and really went under. I am currently paying \$420.00 dollars a month for the next five years to get out of my credit card debt and still trying to figure out how I can get my money back from them. My Mentor told me the more you spend the more you will make. Not true. Anytime someone brings up Herbalife I tell them they are a bunch of hypocrites and they will not tell you the truth. We could have before I went in debt with them."

"I am a Former Herbalife distributor and I lost over \$20,000 dollars. I don't even know if I can save my marriage. My husband is so angry with me I don't think we are going to make it. If I could do it all over again I would have never gotten involved with them. Now I struggle with my self-esteem and how I feel about myself. This whole experience has almost destroyed me. Put it this way, if I lose my husband it will destroy me."

"I've invested in products and incidentals to get my business going since last August and have not made any money at all. I'd like to be able to return my products for a refund, but am getting either no information or being told it's impossible by my upline and the company. I made the mistake of my life believing their sales pitch. Now I can't make my bill payments, my credit is shot, my savings are gone, and I'm about to be forced into bankruptcy."

"I signed up for Herbalife and was pressured into using any means available to get to supervisor level. I begged my grandmother for her credit card number and she finally agreed. I spent \$3,000.00 to get to that level, not to mention the outrageous package and handling fees. I then spent an additional \$2,000.00 in advertising. I thought this was it for me. Finally a job I could do at home. A year has gone by now and I am still stuck with all the product I had when I became a qualified supervisor. I have filed for bankruptcy, am in the midst of a divorce and was never able to pay my grandmother back. She has since lost her credit card because of me and a lien is now attached to her home by the credit card company. I am very upset. I am still under contract for Herbalife's Merchant credit card account for another two years at \$69.00 per month. Plus their monthly fees of \$75.00 per month just to keep account active."

"My husband and I became Herbalife distributors a year ago. All we got from it was \$5,000 debt, when the purpose was to supplement our income to help us get of OUT debt--not dig our hole deeper. We attended many meetings in the beginning and everything seemed so perfect--too perfect. It was as if somehow or another these people are brainwashed into believing that Herbalife is the greatest thing to ever hit the Earth. We tried very hard and invested in products and advertising like we were told. We tried to help our 'downline' in building business also. It was hard though when you never know what is really going on. They give you scripts to read, and that is what the whole business is about. When we weren't doing as well as expected we were forgotten about. No one was willing to help and now we will be paying for it for many years to come. In the year we were with Herbalife they constantly changed the royalty system--making it harder and harder to get the money. I think it is awful."

Source: <http://www.3fatchicks.com/forum/general-diet-plans-questions/7677-herbalife.html>

From: Dana

Date: May 2001

I am a former Herbalife distributor who lost nothing but a lot of money and a lot of customers. I do agree with the last poster on one thing, if you do find a message board and everyone sways to one end on the opinions, you won't get the full story. I am sure there are people who have tried every product out there that hated the product and just as many that found success. I wasn't afraid of Herbalife at all especially the Ephedra. I have had lots of good results with Ephedra products and actually had my doctor to suggest what I am currently using. I have lost 52 pounds this past year and haven't had any side effects. I couldn't stand the taste of the shakes and the tea mixtures were gross. I tried to hide it in everything my upline could suggest and it never worked. My upline bailed on me and left me trying to stand at it alone with my down line. I had to just end it all and end up in huge debt which I still haven't recovered from. You might find a forum under the fitness scams but I guess it would mostly be negative hype as well. I wish you luck by the way because I certainly don't want to see anyone else lose their money.

Source: <http://corporatefraudswatch.blogspot.com/2010/01/herbalife-victims-come-out-to-file.html>

From: Anonymous

Date: September 3, 2012

My sister has been a Herbalife distributor for over 6 years now. Although Herbalife HAS RUINED HER LIFE, she keeps making positive comments about the company, just like other people on this thread.

Having observed them for a while now, and having participated a few of their meetings in my sisters invitation, I firmly believe they are the following:

- A cult
- Brainwashers
- A Pyramid scheme

One of the things they told my sister is that "Family members will advise her to go away form the company, but she should resist."

I have nothing to gain by trying to help my sister. She gets angry at me if I only mention the topic. She has a very strong personality from ever since I remember her. I think she has the exactly temperament type that Herbalife caters for. She is extremely hard working and determined to get where she wants to. Unfortunately she met exactly the group who would take her in and take the most advantage from her.

Everyone in my family has made progress in their lives in the past 6 years. She has stagnated and given everything she had to Herbalife. Now she is depressed and has nothing.

Regardless of her situation, she keeps supporting the company, and being loyal to them. She hasn't realised she is not going to get-rich-quick yet. Actually, probably only 5% of the people in Herbalife got rich, and the other ones are like my sister, making part of the base of the pyramid.

If you're in herbalife stop and ask yourself why there are so many people against this company, and why would you keep supporting an organisation which doesn't have a clean reputation.

In doubt, choose to do things the right way. And the right way is to get out of this company. GET OUT OF IT, for your own sake.

Source: [http://www.scambook.com/report/view/134676/UnitedOnlineBusinessHerbalife-Complaint-134676-for-\\$4,500.00](http://www.scambook.com/report/view/134676/UnitedOnlineBusinessHerbalife-Complaint-134676-for-$4,500.00)

From: Anonymous in Sydney, Australia

Date: April 23, 2012

i thought i was joining a great opportunity, to earn some extra cash, on april 23 i joined up with a business called 'united online business, for herbalife' after this, they supplied me with a coach who had rang to introduce himself.

his name is 'sam calabro' he works as an independant coach, from united online business, i had received several emails and phone calls, to get me started.

i had paid 9.95, i think this was an introductory fee, i thought 'why not' then i paid another 49.95, a few days later, cant remember what this was for, anyway sam calabro had said to me, 'you need to go online to start these steps, to learn all about the business so i could get started. in the meantime i had bought all these products, that arrived at my home which cost me over 500 dollars, that was ok, then i was still doing all these steps, online to understand how the business is run.

united online business, had sent me my own 'id' number to be able to go on this site to do all these steps, 05668077, so that i can begin the training, this is the steps i have mentioned.

also in between doing the training, i was asked for a further 4,300 dollars, as i thought that this business was legit, and i had read a lot about it, and researched before i had signed up, i dont understand how they can do this to people who live day to day, and get away with it, i did pay all this money, as i was lead to believe i was going to make a lot of money on a monthly basis. stupid me, who was very taken in by my so called coach, sam calabro.

the reason i started to get suspicious, is when i was going through my training online at around 2.00am in the morning, and as i was doing this, i had an email from 'united online business, at 2.00am saying ' we recently attempted to bill the credit card you have on file for your united business account' i never gave them permission to do this, and i thought, i cant afford this, and they certainly did not tell me i would have to outlay any more money to them, and certainly not without my permission, it was then after i received this email at 2.00am, i decided to drop out. this was may 9.

i emailed my coach the next day and said i will have to drop out as this is costing me too much money, and i know now that i should have been in a better situation with money,

i have never heard from 'sam calabro again, since i said i was dropping out, i have sent several emails to him, but still no reply, this is someone that was phoning and emailing at least evey second day, i dont understand why he would do this, he was so nice and made a lot of sense.

i then emailed 'united online business, and told them my concerns, which they were no help, as they sent me an email, saying 'you will have to contact sam calabro as he would have billed your credit card, because we dont have a record of this. i dont understand this as this company had tried to bill my credit card on the 9th of may, at 2am in the morning, and i cant get any answers from sam calabro, because he has not replied any of my emails, i had been trying since may 9th. what also concerns me is i signed a contract, but i also was lead to believe that there was a cooling off period, that i could cancel my contract.

i really dont know what to do, i need some help as i dont have the money to just give away like this, i would appreciate it if someone could give me some type of insite.

Source: [http://www.scambook.com/report/view/41161/iOfficeHerbalife-Complaint-41161-for-\\$15,000.00](http://www.scambook.com/report/view/41161/iOfficeHerbalife-Complaint-41161-for-$15,000.00)

From: Todd

Date: November 28, 2011

After paying about \$3200 for product and to be at the highest level to make the most money, during there training they hype up all methods you need, there are fees. After finally getting thru the training,they offer these leads that are called paid packs they say are so great, which are \$125.00 each they want you to purchase at least 30 at a time. After getting leads you have telephone interveiw some go to a second call then decide to join or not. The leads that sign up, once they see how much money and what the business is about a little,they all back out want there money product returned and your left with \$125.00 lead that is worthless. All I ended up with huge debt alot of work wasted.

Source: <http://www.ivetriedthat.com/2009/10/06/i-was-scammed-stories/>

From: Anonymous

Date: October 6, 2009

I'm worse...I did sign up for herbalife and got screwed! So let's count.....

\$9.95 – package, 39.95 to keep it, \$149 to sign up, \$88 in product, \$118 in product ordered that I did not request (this is full price by the way), \$20 for the on line training.....So that's about \$425 that I didn't have in the 1st place. My husband was laid off in Jan 2009 – still not working, I was laid off in June 2009. So obviously I didn't have a lot of money to throw at this thing. Once my sponsor found that out I shoved to the back corner. Also, I tried taking the products – I can't handle them...I have a heart condition and they affect my heart. I tried to explain this to my sponsor and she gets all rude. I asked to return the products and shes mouthing off to me how I'm negative and if I REALLY have a heart problem I should take them. Honestly! Like I don't know how to take care of my condition! On top of all that – my mail was stolen from my mailbox which had my completed application in it – no according to herbalife I don't exist as a distributor because they don't have a hard copy – and to get another app is another \$50!

So Yes, stay away! Anytime you head the word 'Partner with Paul, or Herbalife' run the other way – hang up the phone, delete the email, etc.

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

From: Ira from Dunbar, Nebraska

Date: May 25, 2005

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.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/computer-training-education/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-eteam-wwd38.htm>

From: Rob from Park Rapids, WA

Date: July 19, 2008

WARNING: Some individuals may find the language in this report offensive! Viewer discretion is advised!

It's difficult maintaining any decorum after getting f***ed out of over three thousand dollars...money I didn't even have! Hello credit-card statements!

That piece of sh*t ETeam Home Business System, associated with Herbalife International, screwed me over royally with their phoney training program and unscrupulous business practices! The sponsor's are two-faced a**holes too!

Unfortunately, I discovered this fraudulent scam too late and had fallen victim to their chronic lies, deception and, if you'll pardon the expression...BULLSH*T!

Personally, I think it's about time law enforcement agencies crack down and shut down these rip-off companies, not to mention dish out severe, long-term prison sentences to the criminal f*ckheads involved! Excuse my French.

NOTE: Herbalife products have NOT been evaluated or approved by the Food and Drug Administration! Considered dangerous, I personally have destroyed all the crap inventory they sent me. I don't want that garbage in my house!

Hey Herbalife / ETeam, Keep your crappy unsafe products, along with your so-called training program and shove 'em up your f*cking a**, you blow b*st*rds!

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/work-at-home-business/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-at-hom-892f6.htm>

From: Angryconsumer134 from Statesville, NC

Date: August 31, 2009

A few months ago, I was looking online for a job that I could do at my home to help my boyfriend with our household bills. I stumbled upon a company named Herbalife. I signed up and got my starter kit a few weeks later.

The website said that there would be no inventory to manage, and no costs, other than the starter kit which was \$9.95. A few days into the program, they sent me a sample kit. It cost me \$150.00!

I wasn't too upset about that. But then a week later, during a training phone call, they said I needed to make a supervisor order. I figured that they would keep the product at their warehouse, and that the order would be paid for when it was bought by other customers.

They wouldn't tell me how much the order was, and they did not say they would be charging my account. You can imagine my anger and surprise when, a week after that, I open my front door, and see 8 boxes on my doorstep! I looked at the price on the order list, and it was \$3,500!

I recieved an overdraft statement from my bank the next day, and there was the \$3,550! On top of that, I had to sign up for their I-office, which was another \$9.95. I ended up spending almost \$5,000 on a company that promised no additional start-up cost!

Herbalife is a money hungry, lieing bunch of a**es. Anyone who has thought about or has signed up with them, ditch this company! They will get money out of you anyway they can.

I still have boxes of product in my house, because I don't have the money to ship it back. They broke me, and then they expected me to pay to ship the product back to them, which would cost me another \$116.00!

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/home-based-business/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-of-ame-aeap3.htm>

From: Edward from New Orleans

Date: June 9, 2006

I answered an ad off TV for a work at home business. I was sent a DVD for \$9.90 that praised this company that was growing rapidly and to get in NOW while things are HOT!!

Then a representative called and talked me into watching the secret section on the DVD and set a follow up appt. They actually have one of thier Millionaire Team Members call you and tell you how easy it is to get started and the time is now.

They push you to train, which I did nonstop with conference calls and internet training, and workbooks. At no time did they say you would need to pay to set up websites, special phone lines, charge accounts etc. All they said was buy the international business pak and everything is explained and included.

I checked with the BBB and they gave a favorable report, after I finally found out it was Herbalife. I figured Herbalife's been around a long time so it must be a wise decision.

They push you to use a charge card to order the supervisor product inventory, because you'll be able to pay it off with \$1700.00 profit in 1 month. I told them we were financially strapped because we are Hurrricane Katrina victims and don't have access to DSL or cable internet. NO PROBLEM!

Of course they wanted me to call back when I had funds in place since they knew I would be able to make a good living from home. The SBA gave us a business loan because of the Hurrricane, Now I'm stuck with inventory and trying to pay off a loan I couldn't afford. I told them there were no customers around because of the hurrricane and my "coach" said that doesn't matter, sales are through the internet or calls made to you.

Well once they got my \$2900. the story changed, my coach became scarce..she developed health problems. When I complained about all the fees I was putting out,(phone line, merchant acct's, websites, etc.) She told me she was quitting the MLM since it was costing her over \$2,000 a month in advertising and she wasn't getting enough of a return.

Well that leaves me high and dry. Now to send the products back Herbalife wants to charge a 10% restock fee, non-refundable "packageing" which they get back, and I must pay to ship it back..at least \$100.

Everyone gets a piece of the pie but me. Of course that's the plan to start with. A Professional Racket from the getgo. I will not be a party to suckering someone else into this scam.

So here I sit, in the hurricane's wake and on disability income, trying to figure out how to recoup my loss and pay off a loan. DON'T FALL FOR THIS RACKET!!!

So after reading this and you would like to join please call my "upline supervisor and mentor" please call 805-648-7475.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/health-care-education/premeir-team-interna/premeir-team-international-pt-2597c.htm>

From: Carolyn from Burbank, CA

Date: April 28, 2010

I answered a newspaper add for "Computer Work, Great Pay just processing nutritional supplements. "I was told that I just had to take orders, and I would be trained online. It was only \$10.00 to get info. So far sounds great-right?

Then I called to get started for \$300.00 but he let me pay \$200.00 up front and \$100.00 later. This is necessary to become a distributor. I'm disabled so I thought he was giving me a break.

Next I started training calls with his wife while I was training online. She kept stressing how important it was to become a Supervisor as soon as possible. The videos stressed this also because you make 50% interest instead of 25%. It costs only \$3500.00 or you sell \$3500.00 of products for 2 months. I didn't have that kind of money but I had a credit card. I figured I could sell that quickly since they said they would get us all the customers we needed with their recruiting techniques.

They had several recruiting techniques, but didn't mention that they each cost from \$100.00 to \$500.00 for prospects and you are required to continue them all for at least 90 days! So now you see how I ran up my credit card to over \$6000.00 and only sold about \$600.00. Hardly the "Great Pay" I was expecting !

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/multi-level-marketing/herbalife/herbalife-international-had-pe-d9z44.htm>

From: Dee from Massapequa, NY

Date: May 27, 2007

OK...My heart goes out to all of you who have been scammed by this dispicable company. I'd love to see someone find a way to give a rebuttal to my case.

I have a master's degree and am very sharp...no dummy here.I was a teacher for 10 years here in New York making a very good salary.

Decided I wanted to be my own boss. Thought Herbalife would be a great chance, seemed to have all the makings of a great opportunity since I was considering going for a doctorate in Natural Health.

The Upline rep. completely pushed, pressured, cojoled, manipulated, you name it, she did it and did it well,folks. Call me a sucker, but they're good at what they do.

Now, please don't tell me about personal responsiblity, blah, blah, blah, I worked my can off for a year dialing like crazy and was even asked to speak at one of there teleconferences.

Well, guess what everyone, after a year of working and following the plan "to a "t" like they always say, (they have so many great brainwashing techniques) I built only a small retail business, (didI mentionIhavegreat phone skills?)and received just ONE check from the company for the entire year for \$45.45!!!! And that's after working it full-time investing thousands of dollars and countless hours of time. Oh, and my mentor who was working thebusiness full-time had to go get a j-o-b and downgrade to part-time.

Here's another news flash, I came into this business NEVER expecting to make huge sums of money overnight. You see, I have a good head on my shoulders. Let's see if anyone can explain a \$45 check after a year of very hard labor.

And another thing, when I was on boardroom calls, one of the top men in the company on more than one occasion was impressed with my gauge and my skill set and thought I would be a future candidate to teach others to be .

successful. If I was so successful, where's was the profit???? All they kept saying was "Do more, be more, have more" is that hilarious, or what?!!! He would just tell me to do more and keep doing things consistently which I did and I would be rewarded for my efforts, oh...really?????

Where am I now? Well after havingperfectcreditfor 20 years I'm on my way to bankruptcy court this June 2007 and I can thank Herbalife because I needed to spend so much money on leads and

everything else to keep my head above water, I am completely broke. I will not accept that I am a fool. Ifollowedthem and did myjobwith a clear conscience.

I don't know how they put their heads on their pillows and sleep atnight. Maybe they actually toss and turn, probably not. If I am bitter I have every leg to stand on.

I am a very positive young lady who's sweetness was taken to the cleaners. So,for those of you who work for the company who say that you work hard and that's why your doing well, please don't insult my intelligence.

Just waiting for the day when Herbalife folds, then the celebration will begin.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/bbb-better-business-bureau/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-my-spo-cmm3a.htm>

From: "Hearts44" from Nacogdoches, TX

Date: July 5, 2008

When I first got started my sponser was very nice and respectful. However; everything has went accordingly as she asked me to do, until a few weeks back and she never has returned my calls to this day.

I see her online and she want even talk to me about anything, all she wants to know is if I'm ready for the next call. After reading all the reports about Herbalife, I can see why, and I've been in the business since May 22,2008 and have not earned a single dime.

I've emptied my bank account thinking I would get rich quick, but I blame it on my stupidity because I should have researched it first before jumping into it so quickly, and I was ready to make fast money. Now that I know, please make others aware of what Herbalife is doing to us poor people. They are getting rich off of all the money that we send to them and we are suffering for it.

My sponser; Grace is as guilty as the people or company.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/internet-fraud/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-herbalife-internati-pp85m.htm>

From: Anonymous from Shanghai

Date: May 23, 2008

Well, well, well. Look what's back. It is the same old swindle redressed. I empathize so very much with those whom have been taken. Hopefully these postings will end this nonsense for ever. Thank the LORD for ripoffreport.com. Answered prayer!!

Herbalife - NYSE symbol HLF - is Herbalife brought back!! The previous symbol was Nasdaq symbol HRLFT. In 1997, HRLFT mysteriously went down, down, down. No one could figure out why. In 1998, I found out that, because the insiders at Herbalife found out that the public was finding out that Herbalife products were the same as what any one can buy in a nutrition store in any shopping center of mall !! With Herbalife charging between 2-3 times what a nutritional outlet was charging, it was a swindle. Those unfortunate enough to get an evil supervisor hence paid between 6 and 9.8 times too much for an ordinary nutritional product. Had to have the same supervisor. You were not allowed a different supervisor. Had to wait 6 months if wanted to change. Think it was 76.50 for a kit then.

Now, they bait you with "only" a charge of 9.95 -if it is "only", why dosen't Herbalife foot the charge? Or they bait you with an "only" 40.00 kit. Some supervisors were charging distributors up to 250 for the kit!!! Needless to say, that caused a lot of anger when the distributors found out that they could buy the kit for 76.50.

When I got in to Herbalife, I had a supervisor named Mr. Kim. I've forgotten his first name. He was Korean and had an office in Virginia. It was so easy to see through him. He would lie and say he was giving me a discount. I pointed out that, after all was said and done, I had paid more. Where's the discount? He would make up lies, then more lies. The guy gave no free samples nor discounts even though I was working hard. He would rave about the product and urged me to come to the "pep rallies".

At the pep rallies, they would play rock noise {one sure way to tell a fraud and a lie is if you hear rock noise: that one tid bit alone will save you tens of thousands} and these "distributors" and "supervisors" would gloriously proclaim how they lost weight, got a lot of energy and had a better love life. It was like one of those speaking in tongues services. It's so easy to see that it was a ruse, a ruse, just to make you work harder to make money for them. As one poster said: they are not getting recruits; they are getting customers. That's for sure!!

When I attempted to call Los Angeles to complain about Mr. Kim, they refused the charges!!! So I wrote. They said they investigated; they lied! Thou shalt not bear false witness, upper mgt at Herbalife: Exodus 20:16, Deuteronomy 5:20. I met another distributor and learned that Herbalife "top of the upline" or whatever they're called asked Mr. Kim if he overcharged. He denied: end of

the "investigation". Liars are out for themselves. They do not help you! Too bad these defenders of such shams do not know what they have gotten themselves in to.

Gregory Probert is not the same CEO as was there in 1995. So Herbalife went private, then resurfaced and went public again in December, 2004. Now this guy has been found out. He's been lying to the SEC. And this CEO violated Herbalife's own code of ethics. Why have the code if you're going to be a hypocrite? Could it be that Herbalife is looking for liars like its upper mgt? And some downliners are defending him! I mean, come on! How foolish can you be?! You're really something, you are!

That previous CEO; I've forgotten his name - his name is not in the insiders; I'd recognize it - supposedly sold out of his trunk and that's how it all started. I listened to tapes put out by that guy. One thing that REALLY disturbed me was that one is not allowed to sell in a retail {or wholesale} outlet!! If you tell me I'm a business, I can sell wherever I want. I pay taxes. I filled out all the Forms required by the IRS to start a business. Every business sells from a base of operations. You can sell the products anywhere you want. Don't let any schemer tell you otherwise. They tell you that you own a business. A very obvious lie that requires nary an explanation.

I was one of the lucky ones. I sold one or two or the 4 or 5 kits I bought. The reason is that I waited, then got another supervisor. None of the stuff would sell but the new supervisor was nice, sympathetic and bought the stuff back from me. Turns out the powder co-ogulated even with the drugs that are causing liver disease! Won't stand up to a little heat! Sad.

Lose weight with it? Not convinced; never seen it. Prove it to someone. For a fact, NONE of these shoddy products that come down the pike enable you to lose weight. Losing weight entails a willingness to put up with temporary pain. It involves extreme discipline: fasting; never overeating and a lot of exercising. You do not lose weight by drinking the powder mixed with ice cream, sundaes, pizzas, pies, cakes, candy, shakes, soda, chocolate, cheese, donuts, etc.

In addition, NONE of these flim flams give you energy. Believe me, I tried them all: Amway, Market America, Herbalife, For U - I wish I couldn't even remember. I found the only food that gives energy is cod liver oil. Cod liver oil works. And it wards off disease; which is so important in light of the sodomites threatening to spread their diseases unless you spend your money to find a cure for incurable diseases like hiv and the latest one that has recently erupted.

Don't need to recommend a brand name. Just shop around for the best deal. I found one where I could get it for .02375/pill. Take one pill a day. Everyone's metabolism is different. For the majority of people, results will begin to be seen in 6 months to 3 years.

So why buy Herbalife or waste time deceiving "downline" or potential "downline"? If you want to invest your money, get in to real estate, the stock market, the commodities market, currency futures, start a real business where YOU can earn a profit, NOT some one on an "up-line" that

you do not even know who may have no morals, may be using the profits to chicken hawk, spread a cult, sell marijuana, etc. Every business owner likes to reap personally from HIS work. No one wants to sweat only to lose out and profit someone else who doesn't deserve to earn a profit due to your sweating for very little to nothing, or even a loss. Multi level marketing is another word for communism.

These types of plights come down the pike quite often. When they contact me, I tell them: Oh yeah? If I'm going to make all this money, pay my expenses to come to the meetings; give me 100M shares of stock, 200M shares of preferred, 500M warrants in the company. When they balk, I tell them, what's the matter? Bill Gates had an idea. To get his friends to believe in him, he didn't dream up pipe dreams, fairy tales, science fiction nor lies to woo them. He promised them shares of stock in his company when his company succeeded. I love for high pressure seared conscience saleswomen and salesmen to approach me. I love to see rats scramble. Works every time. Don't let these fast talking confidence boys and girls talk you in to any thing. As always, investigate before you invest. Some great references are below.

MLM stands for mammoth leech monster!

http://www.frauddiscovery.net/herbalife2/Lead_findings.pdf

<http://www.frauddiscovery.net/>

<http://seekingalpha.com/article/74434-herbalife-president-falsified-credentials-barry-minkow?source=yahoo>

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http://www.frauddiscovery.net/herbalife2/Hepatology_articles.pdf

Most never read their sales contracts. As to why they never earned a profit, most assume it was their own fault. Read this, defenders of endless chains; zero economic growth! !% of the supervisors make money; they make their money by the worldwide impoverishment of the other 99%. Herbalife is the lottery!! It is EVIL !!!! Read it!! What are you scared of?! Read it!!

<http://www.frauddiscovery.net/Herbalife/WallStreetFooled.pdf>

Consult the rock
SHANGHAI

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/bait-and-switch/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-promis-mp7e6.htm>

From: Mary from New Hope, MA

Date: February 20, 2008

Like other people who have complaints about Herbalife and their tactics, I was also lead to believe that I could work at home and have more time for my child while making a great income (even becoming wealthy!) just by following their various methods. They wanted me to sell the products, but mostly, recruit other people to be in my downline. I was also told by my upline that I needed to be a supervisor in order to make any money. Of course this involved putting in a large order of products, most of which nobody wanted to buy, so that I could get an inventory at the lowest cost to me. Funny how that backfired! It's not easy to make money when you're not advised properly on what sells!

Recruiting people was a huge investment in time and money (for advertising) that lead to a downline from which no income, let alone "wealth" was generated. And of course, the time investment left me no extra time to be with my child; he still had to go to daycare. At meeting after meeting, where we invited our potential recruits to come and learn about the opportunity, my upline touted their income and health/weight loss stories. Us downline were "taught" how to tell our canned stories, as they did, in order to "wow" our potential recruits into joining our team.

Overall, I spent a lot of time (that I'll never get back) and money that I'd love to get back if there were a class action suit I could join. The tactic of not telling recruits who the company is until they are at a meeting is a form of deception. At the time I was sold on the weight loss benefits and thought that my weight loss would influence others. Unfortunately, unless you stay on the products (which are quite expensive, even for a supervisor level distributor), the weight is very hard to keep off. The whole experience is one that I wish I could live down with my friends and family, but that may take more time.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/alternative-health/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-defrau-6naf9.htm>

From: Garry from Naples, FL

Date: June 15, 2007

i was enticed and defrauded. herbalife sent a dvd and booklet which promised all kinds of money if i would invest \$2,500.00 a month for leads. the leads were a joke. the people i got could not even pay for thr phone call much less invest in a business. and there were hidden cost you never heard about until you start. the money you were paying for leads were paying the upper line people their outrages pay checks. I spent over \$10,000.00. and I want my money back.

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/alternative-health/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-ripoff-cdd42.htm>

From: Barb from Blaine, MN

Date: December 19, 2003

Found this website quite by accident...and the first thing that came to mind was.."hmm, wonder if anyone out here has had a bad experience with the Herbalife products..and wow...here I am...

Prior to meeting my now fiance...He decided to get into the Herbalife business. For 2 years he struggled to make contacts. He was putting more money into the company every month than what he was actually making. After approx. \$6-7 grand invested into it, he has decided to call it quits. It has been 4 years now. He will not, however, ever admit that it was a pyramid scheme, or financial scam. He did use the products, and he did lose some weight. But in order to maintain that weight loss, he needed to continue taking 12-15 "tablets" as Herbalife refers to them, daily.

He followed every step of the program, from flyering, hot pocketing, cold calling, maintaining his monthly quotas, and points...sts meetings... upline, downline, wearing the "Lose weight now" buttons, carrying the little tablet boxes everywhere, etc....All to continue hearing the same promises over and over...with no financial results.... he is now sitting on about 2 grand worth of product that he cannot sell, let alone give away! Some of these products date back to 99-00, and are either outdated, discontinued, or whatever... He even has boxes of herbalife bread mix... { which, by the way, is so disgusting, the dog wouldn't even eat it}.

I tried to be supportive in his quest for finacial freedom, but with all the work he was having to put into the Business, it started to take it's toll on our relationship. Towards the end, he was his own best customer, and was so in debt, that his townhome almost went into foreclosure.

These so called Supervisor Positions are just another way of herbalife taking even more money from those who really can't afford it. When promoting the product, you are not even allowed to mention that it is Herbalife in the beginning...hmmmm...If someone asked what businees he was in, and what he was trying to promote, he would respond with "Are you really interested?", and proceed to try and give them a business card...to which no one ever called to listen to the voicemail message that was required.

Mark hughes founded this company after his own mother died from being overweight...buy yet, he himself, DEAD at the age of 40 something, and he was supposed to be the most healthiest man on earth. Ever wonder what he died of if he was so healthy? Nobody in Herbalife will tell you, nor is anyone allowed to even talk about it most of the time. I read an article on him in GQ shortly after his death, {they were profiling some of the richest men on earth}, but no where in that article did it even hint at what caused his death. Makes one wonder!!! I suspect he died because he overdosed on all his own products...

Now for the kicker...when i first met my fiance 2 year ago, i stood 5'4 and weighed 130...was trim, fit, healthy... Just to help him out, I purchsed the "Ultimate diet program" which cost me almost 200.00, to lose maybe about 5 lbs. Started with the shakes, and the daily tablets...and within the first 2 weeks, I gained 13 lbs...During that 2 week period, i was continually constipated...sorry for letting you know this, so my fiance tells me...Herbalife also has a couple of other tablets that may help that problem. Wow, imagine that...more on top of what i was supposed to be already taking everyday. Thats when i became a disbeleiver.... Not all diet plans work for everyone, but to this day my fiance will not admit it was herbalife products that helped me to gain the unwanted weight. totally screwed up my metabolism, and as soon as i quit taking all these so-called tablets, the weight started coming back off, i am 42 years old now, 5'4 and maintain my ideal weight of 128- 135. His own mother swears by Herbalife...but, hey, aren't all mothers impartial when it comes to supporting their children?, but yet I have to see any results from her using them on a daily basis. She has many health problems the way it is, is only 54, but can't work, and gets disability..Constant moaner of aches and pains everywhere, no matter what she is doing...geez...you would think with all these tablets she is taking from herbalife to help improve her health, she would be healthier than me. HEHEHEHEHE

I would not recommend anyone getting into this business unless you have a lot of free time, and alot of spare money laying around that you can get rid of. Herbalife tells you you are starting your own business, but really you aren't because you are selling their product not yours.The only people in herbalife who make money, are probably those who has been in it since the beginning, and were already financially well off to begin with.

Nobody quits their day job overnight, and becomes a millionaire.

If something sounds too good to be true...it's probably a scam.

I could go on and on about my experiences being involved with someone who at one time was into the Herbalife thing..Too bad we can't leave our email addresses here to get personal responces back...would love to know of any message boards out here or forums that pertain to Herbalife complaints. But lets try this..... Mysteeriaslywyldataoldotcom. think it will work?

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/alternative-health/bmi-herbalife-intern/bmi-herbalife-international-md6a3.htm>

From: Steve from Asheville, NC

Date: December 10, 2006

I posted under another Herbalife Work@Home TV infomercial page on this Bad Business Bureau site. I am adding this now after bad experience with Coach last night..

As my previous experiences stated, I saw the 33venture.com TV ad for working at home information. I went to that site, filled in some basic interest info of myself, and clicked on button that said they will send me work at home business opportunities based on my data I inputed. I was charged a fee of \$9.95 for overnight FedEx shipping and thought this was reasonable....

I did all of a sudden get e-mails and calls from some Coach telling me to contact her (Patricia & Scott Pickar in California) as soon as my FedEx package arrived. I did so, and all of a sudden I was pressed to set a schedule immediately to follow-up and then have phone meeting with her mentor, someone named Ladeena out of Seattle who was her Coach. Over the following week's time, I was engaged in a couple phone calls to this Coach as requested according to her busy schedule.. After the last conference call, it was mentioned this may not be right time for or my wife to enter into a business opportunity with Herbalife, but the Coach's Mentor told me she would send me a sample packet anyway to test some products, and I would be charged only \$12.95 for that to ship, etc. OK, I gave my OK (and credit card info.) and it has been less than 24 hours since that last call.

Now, I receive another e-mail stating I made a request to return my "FREE information package" or else I would now be charged a deposit of \$29.95.. Why in the world would this happen I ask??? I NEVER said such statement and was going to keep this info. for time being until maybe later I or my wife would seriously consider going forward as explained in our phone conferences.. I paid \$9.95 to get this "free" information in the first place, right?

I immediately called the Coach who first contacted me and she all of a sudden said she told me and I must of not heard her and made excuses.. Well, there was no such mention of this extra return shipping charge in any conversation I had or on the order form I initially filled out from the 33venture.com TV ad online. In a nutshell, when anyone purchases anything, and it is titled "free", it is understood that information is free- end of story. To pay shipping is understandable but that is that. NOT to then, in a slick fashion, because I decided not to go forward with an Herbalife business, charge me another \$29.95 for the "free information", right??? This now has (back door) scam written all over it or front-fee con game, and as a former victim of identity theft, and dealing to FBI, FTC and hosts of other entities including bank fraud investigators of past; I then called this Coach and told her I am expecting my sample package which I agreed to try and if it works I might buy further products, but am infuriated with this "hidden reverse charge" they now mention after-the-fact to send back my original free materials... She then starts talking fast,

making excuses and trying to manipulate the conversation (trying to make me feel I did something wrong), and when I get firm and told her, if I find there is any scam going on, I will contact the FTC & FBI, both of whom I went through hell in the past on an identity theft mess to get justice and my monies back..

This morning, I awake to a phone message left again last night by this Coach, saying she decided to hold of charging my credit card for the sample pack now after our last talk, and unless I call her again to talk with her to send it, she will not charge me- Only charge me the original \$9.95 for the free information package, but, if I did not return that information package (and me pay return shipping), they would charge me this additional \$29.95 fee anyway.. What a crock!!! Talk about a denial complex...

So now, I am beyond livid with such slick talk and manipulative ways, and I am posting this last e-mail I received below, so people can see what "bait & switch" technique just happened to me to now cause me and my family more debt for something we already paid to receive in the first place, and want the federal authorities to contact me in any manner to stop this sort of preying on innocent people and now using the TV industry to mark their ploys and tactics to get people tied into something unsuspecting and all of it is the same old BS but marketed under a different appearance and cloak.. It is wrong and NO legitimate business operates like this, to where the interested consumer is out of costs up front and cannot escape charges to their credit cards (on the back side unsuspectingly) or these people now having your private credit card information which they can abuse..

Remember Readers:: My "free" information package came with a DVD and a one page instructions on how to watch it and that is it and came from Ocala, FL address... NO mention of return charges if I do not commit to this home business, etc.. and certainly no coverletter as this e-mail below indicates. What I/you will find, is the 2nd "free" informational package mentioned in the DVD is hidden on the very same DVD, but not until you commit to go forward further with the Coach, do they reveal this to you and give you instructions (code) how to then continue with the free 2nd information package on that same DVD- very slick trick!!!

Also Readers:: For your information, here is names of people I was told would be in my business structure (upline) and maybe it will help some of you, and this is what I was able to take notes of from my last phone conference with the Coach (Patti) and her Mentor (Ladeena);

Patti Pickar from CA. started March 2006 and is supposedly making \$10,000.00+/-month. Her husband is a construction Superintendant who helps her on weekends with their business. She gave up 23 years as mortgage banker and 9 years in the medical industry to become involved in Herbalife.

Ladeena from Seattle started February 2004 and is supposedly making \$60,000.00+/-month. (she said she was former house cleaner with high school education only and making \$1500.00/month trying to raise 3 kids on that before Herbalife was introduced to her)

Carrie who is only 28 years old was supposedly making \$38,000.00/month after her first month and is now making in excess of \$100,000.00/month and in the President's Club level or such..

Anthony is supposedly making over \$90,000.00/month and was one of the people Ladeena used to clean his home for who introduced her to Herbalife as a business from my understanding..

These are the names I was told I would be surrounded by and cared for to help build my own successful Herbalife business should I commit and go forward and make the necessary investment, etc...

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/weight-control/herbalife-internatio/herbalife-international-ripoff-p8cfa.htm>

From: "A pissed off Mom" from Alpena, MI

Date: May 16, 2002

I recently became a distributor for Herbalife International with the misconception that I would be supported by my upline and told exactly what i needed to to step by step to become as successful as my supervisors say they are. HA!

I went and opened a checking account specifically to open the business management account they require you to have...paid the 59.95 to get my account and toll free number...(after paying 130.00 for the international business package....and then was left in the dark as to what to do next.

I followed the email I was sent to the letter and discovered that there was so much more to this business in order to get online and start having customers. another 49.to listen to training information over the phone...(which they neglect to tell you is a must before you beging this endeavor). and several reoccurring charges for various other things that you "need" to have before they allow you to advertise on the web.

I repeatedly emailed the upline and got only to read the index manual (which i had already done) and that I had to complete the various forms to get a virtual business card and submitted that,only to never hear anything about what my link what or who to contact.

when i finally did get someone to give me answers i was told this: " Your Virtual Business Card will be setup and developed as you complete the sequence of events within the system." which means until i pay out for the unmentioned aspects of this business then i can get an address for my business card that was supposed to be free with my 59.95 sign up.

I also had emailed my "product supervisor" who always seemed to be too busy answering phones and the door to give me anything but the run around.

They advertise as "moms are you tired of your job" but dont dare quit your job if you think you are going to go anywhere with this company based on what they will tell you. I am a single mom with 3kids in low income housing, trying to raise my kids and had a dream to make the money they say can be made...

had I known the expenses up front, I would have never invested the money I did. Anyone with children and in my situation knows that every penny counts...and none of us deserve to be shoved off because of not having a phone or not knowing many people to "get into the business".

As far as Im concerned...Herbalife is a crock of S***

Thank You For being honest Jason...I thought I was the only one in the world that didnt get what to do next.

A Pissed off MOM

Source: <http://www.ripoffreport.com/corrupt-companies/vertical-skip-market/vertical-skip-marketing-aka-f4ep4.htm>

From: Charles from Lawton, OK

Date: October 5, 2004

Vertical Skip Marketing AKA: Herbalife International is using the internet and lured me into investing \$7,500 to become a supervisor and purchase leads from them.

The promise is that if you keep investing in the leads and calling the people then you will make \$1000 to \$3000 per month in three months.

Then they tell you to do this you have to pay for a web site, a touchfon account, an account to take credit cards on and on...

They tell you not to "talk too much" to the "qualfied applicant" and basically not to tell them much about the company, let your coach handle that. You are to stay on the presentation and not say anything else.

I wish I had known about your web site before I got hooked into this ripoff and lost thousands.

Source: <http://www.complaintsboard.com/complaints/herbalife-los-angeles-california-c81322.html>

From: Cindy Varnet

Date: July 18, 2008

I made the mistake of giving my credit card number to these people and now they have charged me over \$500 of my hard earned money and I have yet to receive a refund. I have returned all of their stuff to them and have filled out their refund slips but haven't received any kind of refund as of yet. It has been over 2 months since I realized that this was a scam and requested a refund. Do not give out any financial information to these people, they are crooks and they will rip you off big time if you let them. I filed a dispute with my credit card company but after a month went by they put the charge back onto my credit card, and then Herbalife had the nerve to charge my account again without my permission. My credit card company called me to let me know this so I immediately canceled my credit card so that it couldn't happen again.

The nerve of those people to charge my credit card when I never gave them permission to do so just really irritates me to no end. What tipped me off was when I started reading the reports from other people that had written about them on this site and realized that I had ripped off. When I read that people were having health issues because of the Herbalife supplements that some people's livers were failing them, I became really scared and decided not to even try any of the products at all. That's when I contacted my so called sponsor and he started his bullsh*t response that I need to not listen to what other people were saying about Herbalife. But then I got to thinking all of these people can't be wrong? When I challenged my sponsor about he called his sponsor immediately and they both got on the phone and did a 3 way call to try and talk me out of it not getting involved with them. But I didn't listen and I'm glad that I didn't because they were really trying to brainwash me and I would have no part of it.

Source: <http://www.complaintsboard.com/complaints/herbalife-friendswood-texas-c565428.html>

From: "dbbdanford" from Friendswood, TX

Date: November 19,2011

I resigned as an Herbalife Supervisor after investing well over \$6,000 in my home based internet business. I strongly advise anyone who is considering this as a solution to your dreams, that unless you are okay with unethical business practices, then walk away before you spend a dime! This company gives very limited upfront information...even with-holding the Herbalife name as the product being sold until they absolutely must. They lead you to believe you can have a successful internet business with a small upfront investment. They alude to the fact there will be a few minor additional costs...Well everytime I turned around it was "you need this, sign up for that, get this, do that ...and all at a cost. Their biggest customers are the new distributors and supervisors who they insist must be a "product of the product"...the more you use, the more you'll sell. Yeah...they want every bloody dime in your name before you get smart and quit before you are bled dry. It is very hard to find good customers. The cost is expensive. It is a good product but I personally did NOT have the weight loss they claimed was possible, and I was taking about \$350 a month in products to get the results they promised. All I got was a bad case of gas from excess protein. Ok..It did help increase my energy level.

I started to doubt everything I heard. They want you to follow blindly, do as they say and you will be successful. Doing as they say will cost you at least \$10,000 before you start making any money and really you will need to reinvest that money for a long time to come before you reap the rewards they promise on their videos. You will be working day and night, even if it is from home. What bothers me the most is that you have to be willing to empty the pockets of someone who may not have much money, may have been out of work and is desperate to find a way to earn a living. You will whoo them in with the promise of a small investment, then you will keep asking for more of an investment, and more, and more. You will encourage them to have a garage sale so they can buy more advertising, sell their row boat so they can go to the company conference. And 95% of those people will NOT BE SUCCESSFULL after all of that, and you might not be either...but Herbalife and your upline will be happier for your efforts. Don't do this...not to yourself, not to others you would "sell" too. Be a better human being. And one last thing...whatever "mentor" calls you and signs you up...keeps you forever, even if they are not good at mentoring, training, helping...so basically if you get a great mentor, your chances will be better. You get a bad mentor...you will be sunk.

Source: <http://www.complaintsboard.com/complaints/online-business-systems-oneida-new-york-c405123.html#c1051728>

From: "Caravan2734" from Oneida, NY

Date: December 30, 2010

I was reading the news on a local radio station's website one afternoon. Then I came across an advertisement on the station's website. As I remembered it, there was a story about a lady in town that was making a lot of money. The site just kept bragging on and on. I ignored the stories, but when I came across the "decision package" it was only \$9.95 for shipping and handling and you would be charged \$39.95 after two weeks if you did not return it. That raised a big red flag at the beginning. I decided to go for it anyways since it wasn't a lot of money. I did get a call from my coach and I decided to give this business a try.

I then proceeded. She tried to convince me in buying the "International Business Package" instead of the "Mini Package". I purchased the International Business Package since I received a bonus from my company. The support I got from my coach was like an education of a 5th grader. I asked her about returning the decision package and she could not even tell me where to send it to. I had to keep interrupting her stories about how much money she was making. She said "we'll talk about it later". I said I wanted to talk about it now. Then she replied, you can give it to a "friend". I kept the package anyway.

What got my attention to this business is that it was an "online business". You don't need to have inventory you just sell off the website. Her upline Cynthia Robinson pressured me in having \$700 worth of inventory. I told her I wasn't going to spend that amount and she kept pushing. I have never been asked by some idiot to get a loan from my parents. It was all the stupid questions like "are you close to your parents". I told her no and nothing more since it was none of her business.

I was advertising in the local papers, flyers on bulletin board even cars not to mention. I made 600 flyers at a time for about 1 month. Even on Craigs List, e-mail and Google. I forgot to mention other internet classifieds. I was getting hits on the website but no one was ordering. With all the advertising I was doing, I began to wonder why no one was interested. First of all the products are priced too high. They are really expensive. You can get the same stuff at GNC and Wal-Mart much cheaper.

I was in a conference call from my coach and Cynthia Robinson. Cynthia suggested me to put the catalogues in the break room at my company, which I did. Then she kept on pressuring me to keep nagging my coworkers. She made it sound like I was very retarded and that I didn't inspire them. This call kept on going and going. I got to the point where I just hung up on her. I was not going to be treated like a two year old.

To sum it all up, If these products sell well they should sell of the website, right? They didn't. I was only in the business for 5 months. I did not buy any inventory. I am not stupid like they think I am. I don't waste my time on products that don't sell well and the support you get you might ask a 2 year old. The coaches act brainwashed they don't know any thing about the health and nutrition industry. They think they do. They just pressure you and talk nonsense. This business is a waste of time and money in the long run.

I have been reading complaints on other compaint boards and it is always the same complaints. Run away from this one.

COMMENT:

 9th of Sep, 2012 by  [justtoomuch](#)

Yes I too have ended up \$6000+ out of pocket . The product did not work for me AND I was pressured to buy more for points. The teaching from Unitedonlinebusiness was get selling now even though you had no idea and had not finished the induction.

Got no where with any of the very expensive leads and walked for kms filling letter boxes. As I don't intend to waste anymore time and money I have fallen foul of my recruiter who is now asking for the gift of 1 lead at \$120 that she gave to me, (at her instigation) to be paid back!!! using the Unitedonline decision package s which are not free.

A very slippery business.

Source: <http://www.complaintsboard.com/complaints/herbalife-c136092.html#c996397>

From: Jennifer

Date: December 9, 2008

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.scribd.com/doc/34076844/Herbalife-truth>

From: Testimonial from a Former Brazilian Herbalife Distributor

Date: undated

HERBALIFE DISGRACE AS MY LIFE

AS FOR THOUSANDS OF BRAZILIAN IN THE LAST EIGHT YEARS Exposing the reality of a coup that impunity continues to destroy lives and families

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING

This alert is to prevent more people from falling into terrible and unfortunate blow called Herbalife. If you never got involved with Herbalife, it will serve as a warning so you do not have the misfortune to fall into that trap. Spread this warning to everyone you love because, as a disease or a drug, the stroke gets hidden and affects the entire family in a silent and destructive. If you already work with Herbalife, I have much sympathy for you because most likely you will not believe anything I say, precisely because of the efficient schedule that did in your mind. Do you really believe they are doing the best deal of his life and the best company in the world. I know that I've thought like you. If you have a relative or friend who is considering working with Herbalife, do not omit! Tell him while you can and make it read this article titled ... PREFACE Those who have not received any of those repeated invitations, offering the opportunity to work in a multinational company, seeking leaders, it is not selling, where you can work from home and earn big money? Normally does not name the company nor what it is. Why is that? What is it anyway? ALL THIS IS PART OF A DIRTY HIT, malevolent, VERY WELL DESIGNED AND THAT CONTINUES IN ACTION. Before starting I would like to give some clarifications: First I apologize for what I'm using media to spread this alert, using the Internet and by e-mail, bulk mail (spam), because I realized I would have to use the same weapons that dirty scum wolves use to reach their victims. I'm using exactly the same programs and lists of e-mails that they gave me and taught to use. Also I do not have resources to publicize it by newspapers or TV, just because I took all these bloody, money, family, dreams, dignity, everything. I'm making this an act of citizenship and public utility, it is my duty to warn citizens throughout Brazil on these thugs in suits who rob and plunder with impunity, with the facade of what they call the Herbalife Business Opportunity. Beware! They may be closer to you and your family than you think. Secondly, I want to make clear why I did not identify. The leadership of Herbalife distributors, formed by what they call the "presidents" and "millionaire" is a real mafia, organized and powerful. Already been threatened several times by these people just because my story to tell people closer. So imagine now that I'm showing all this publicly. Must try to preserve my integrity and my family. To me including preventive measures, if something happens to me, that the grounds remain public, and the names of which I have already threatened to be properly reported to authorities. This site is not meant to be beautiful, because the subject is not pretty. Moreover, unlike the beautiful sites of Herbalife, which are full of people smiling, big cars and mansions, my intention is not to hook people with sophisticated visual pyrotechnics, just want to pass my message to show the truth, after all, the truth is always one. Also I'm no master in the computer, nor writer

nor a designer, so forgive any flaws. I also want to clarify that I am not attacking the MLM system, also known as multilevel marketing or network marketing. In this business, as in any industry, there are dishonest companies, but serious companies that do not resort to dishonest or questionable tactics to enrich themselves at the expense of distributors. And finally I want to clarify that I have nothing against the poor deluded distributors, or against the products manufactured by Herbalife, nothing against their quality, and nothing to say about their effectiveness. I recommend that even if you can, buy a product, but only in order to help another victim of this scam to recoup some of their losses. Despite the social impairment in general is irreparable. You may be wondering - "But if this is as serious as anyone exposed before all this dirt?". The answer is simple. There are two main reasons. The first is that the strategy is so well done that the final, sincerely believes that the victim was to blame herself, she is that did something wrong and shame of his failure or his naivete, he prefers never to talk about. And the second reason is because the company and the leaders are exposed as little as possible and therefore are not a focus of concern for justice or for the press. WHAT IT COMES AT LAST THIS BUSINESS OF HERBALIFE? The principle business of Herbalife is being touted as the biggest opportunity in the world, where anyone of any age and background, can get rich with the marketing of high quality nutritional products, just to be teachable and follow a simple system at the same time and infallible, all without interfering with your present job. Actually this is all a big lie made up by small truths, grouped clever. Want a sample? If you have had contact with any promotional material Herbalife's you will notice a higher than average use of the word "may" and its variations. Examples: • You can achieve financial independence. • You can improve your health with the products. • You could lose up to 10kg in a month. • The product can help reduce cholesterol. • Can you get rich! This is just an old tactic used by the company, and that got rid of the charge of false advertising for many years, simply by putting a margin of doubt in vague phrases. Thus Herbalife need not guarantee anything you say. After all "can be" like "can not be." Likewise we can say: You can win the lottery. You could die tomorrow or in 80 years. The odds are in statistical terms, it is easier you win the lottery than winning real money in Herbalife! It is easy to prove it. Over the past eight years came about 20 "presidents" (top level Herbalife in Brazil), while the lottery in the same period, more than 2,000 people won the top prizes. This means that it is 100 times easier winning the lottery than to do well in Herbalife. Unfortunately the public ignores the word "may," simply for not having a negative impact sufficient to show its true meaning, what exactly is "the odds are slim." Another word they use and abuse is "prejudice." They will say to you that people have "bias" of Herbalife and that fraud allegations are just rumors. It is worth mentioning as distributors (all) use the word. It's funny. They talk as well separate "pre .. concept," imitating milimétricamente their leaders and demonstrating once again that really are being "trained." Moreover, it passed a clear and powerful message that you should not listen to anyone who tries to warn him of the coup. See this text was taken from one of the websites of Herbalife, which is constantly repeated at the end of training, "Beware the Dream Stealers. You know who they are - friends and relatives who give advice without having asked you about your choice of career, your finances and your life. Believe in yourself! Do not let the destroyers of dreams let this opportunity away from you. " What nonsense! It seems talk of drug dealer, telling the client to hide their addiction in the family! I guess now you're beginning to understand. But there's more dirt from where it left. You'll see as the real destroyers of dreams, lives and families are just themselves! A LITTLE OF MY STORY I am a civil engineer,

graduated from UFRJ, with over 10 years of career. My specialization in metal structures and concrete assured me always a good professional standing and respect from colleagues. He had a good job, own home, car of the year, a good savings, family wife and two children. It was a great lifestyle, unattainable for most Brazilians. Nothing to complain about. But however hard it is to admit we exist in us all the viruses of greed and sloth. Frankly speaking, who do not want to earn more and work less (or at least work only with like). So I was always aware of business opportunities, franchises, as he had in mind to have a parallel activity to ensure a second source of income. If China were a business, even better.

SONG OF THE MERMAID Most people are attracted to the Herbalife online, through sites camouflaged, we will see later. They do not say the company name and not what it's about business, you usually give the title with pompous names like WorkVip, STC, Gold Life, Work at Home System, SMD, and many other disguises. This all has a reason and later teach to identify those sites that pollute the damn internet and clogging our mailbox with your false advertising. Likewise I was attracted by one of these sites, but could not find any way on what was the deal. For that I had to buy something called a "decision package". Driven by curiosity I decided to spend around \$ 50.00 to find out what this thing was so wonderful. I received a package that brought some brochures and a video showing successful people saying he was making money, that was the deal of the century. Much theoretical information but still not tell me the company name or how it all worked. At that point I had to ask for the rest of the material, which was already included in the \$ 50.00 I paid at the beginning. Until then you have no way to contact anyone. There is neither an email to answer questions. All deliberate. All hidden. This is a psychological move, creates anxiety and makes the person want to further participate in this magic that made those who get rich and happy. Only the second part is that the material is presented to the company, and by then you're already convinced that everything is so good that you forget everything that could possibly have heard about Herbalife and its problems. Moreover, as you already spent money, you decide to "go ahead least to retrieve what they already spent". So I did. Only then, when you're already "softened" and is easy prey is that the first person of flesh and blood appears. I was contacted by my "sponsor" or as some say, my "mentor" that would guide me in my footsteps in the company. I learned that I needed to purchase a registration kit (yes that provided by Herbalife) that cost "only" \$ 120.00 and that was my "ticket on board." Also, if I really wanted to succeed would need to participate in a STS, which cost an additional \$ 120.00 per person. To bring my wife and two children spent no less than R \$ 380.00. Adding to what I spent on this decision package in the enrollment kit and training, just to know fully what it is the business I had spent R \$ 550.00 and thought I was the luckiest guy on earth. I had not even started anything in practice. (Notice how this is a gold mine, not for us of course. As they say that this starting material is not for profit this money go to somewhere because of my pocket I know it came out. Every 100 distributors represent nothing less than R \$ 55,000.00 only those initial expenses to get to know the business)

INVOLVED, AND STRIKE OUT OF CONTROL Soon I was completely wrapped up, I sold one of my cars to buy a huge stock of products and become a supervisor, because my "mentor" has ensured that this was the best way to ensure success quickly. I spent trying to sell products and recruit new distributors. It is not impossible to do these two things, but it is extremely exhausting. I was so infatuated with Herbalife I spent harassing the people in my circle of relationship with this issue all the time. I breathed Herbalife. I was sure that the whole world was wrong and that my relatives and friends were "blind" because they can not see the wonders of the products and the benefits of

the Herbalife business opportunity. After I was convinced he was fighting for a better world, who was working for the company in the world, who had the best products and the best chance of success. In practice, money is good, until he won, but was less than I had to spend to maintain activity. In other words, was losing money and liked. Skids Any credibility I have developed over years of career and social life began to be destroyed, I began to be shunned by friends and relatives. It was known as "that annoying Herbalife." It is not difficult to conclude the consequences that it brought to my social and professional life. I also began to be avoided in the most important projects, because everyone noticed that my head was just in Herbalife. When I lost my job, yet I was arrogant enough to tell everyone that "just as well because now I can devote myself 100% to Herbalife." I figured that now, working full time, my success would be astronomical. Only I was already working full time and did not know, since he spoke of Herbalife for work, outings with the family. When losing your job does not gain any additional time for Herbalife and had no increase in the pace of my work. Herbalife my monthly expenses were enormous, and the more I won some money with Herbalife, everything was going to continue turning the business. Only with the STS, pamphlets, newspaper advertisement, internet, phone calls and petrol I spent about \$ 2,000.00 per month, all with Herbalife. I followed closely the "recipes" passed by the leaders to "do business the right way," after all they themselves say that it is enough to be teachable and not invent anything, because the system was already proven effective. I did this plan 90 days in which you have goals to achieve in terms of "making contacts" during three months. I followed to the letter but the results were low expectations. Repeating the plan with new tools and guidance of experts. The results remained disappointing. But they said "whoever wants to be a winner must be persistent and consistent." My wife was worried, but trust me, even as I started to use our savings and credit cards to pay household expenses, pay bills and benefits, because all the money from Herbalife was "eaten" by the business. Persisted in their error I showed my friends happy for checks over \$ 1000.00 that I received from Herbalife, were the royalty fees that are related to the handling of other people I attracted into the trap. With these checks I attracted more people to Herbalife, but they did not know what to get that check I was spending much more than that. It was an illusion, I myself refused to do. I thought all these expenses would be pittance as I was making lots of money in Herbalife. But it was there that he began to reveal to me that to make money in Herbalife you should tune into a corrupt system and con man. My sponsor was a wonderful person, that as I was bewitched by Herbalife. I was shocked when it came out exactly how Herbalife became a GET, which is a privileged level in Herbalife. At the time he became very depressed and would not comment, but said that one day I would understand. SOMETHING rotten smell As I've become what they call "global team" some things have started to appear. At that point you start to have training sessions where things are becoming clearer. You get to know that the system survives at the expense of the money the distributors if they sell the product or not is a mere detail, their problem, the important thing is to buy, stock, throw in the trash if you want. In meetings tired of hearing the leadership said that "this event we have to convince people to close supervision ..." (Corresponding to R \$ 9,000.00 to buy products) "... because that will guarantee us almost \$ 1,000 in commissions," or "we need to convince them to bring at least five people at the next event" or "we must move with the dream of people, that way we convince them to sell to the mother." These beads came from the mouths of most worthy president of Herbalife. Was becoming clear that this is an exploratory business, but oddly enough if you continue to cheat and

find that the means justify the ends. Most dealers do not form part of the leadership really believe they are offering something good for the world. The Revelation came to GET As I understand what happened with my "mentor" and that caused him to leave the Herbalife because at that point you start to have access to most truths hitherto obscured or distorted. At meetings of the teams TAB, which is how the leaders are called Herbalife, is not uncommon to hear terms like "Muggles do loose money" or "turn them into Herbalóides" or else "if the guy has not even more money then get rid of it." This all shows that Herbalife is not an opportunity for people to improve life and earn money, but for people who have some money, even though their economies, injecting everything in Herbalife. No matter whether this is good for them or not. When this is revealed to a person who comes to GET, it will give depends on the type of person she is, and I realized that this sense there are three types of people: 1. People who have a minimum of moral enough to realize that all this is just a dirty trick and if she wants to continue with it will have to engage with all this dirt. Normally, these people go into depression, moral conflicts, anger and finally end up abandoning Herbalife. It was exactly what happened with my "mentor". For leadership that's great, because all the staff of "deserter" becomes the person who is in the hierarchy. Every one who deserted at this point leaves dozens of surrogates that he attracted, so the loss is minimal for leadership and for Herbalife. 2. People who like to type 1, also has a minimum of honesty, do not want to do anything illegal, but if they cheat, overlook, seek to justify themselves before others and themselves by saying that these things happen only rarely, not quite, and thereby continue its business in a way Herbalife warm. 3. Greedy and immoral people who do not care if success clearly depends on the misery of many others, including friends, relatives, colleagues, honest people, whatever. Nothing else matters as long as they can get their hands on their slice of the pie. Some of these rats are the ones who eventually become presidents in Herbalife, because now they know what the deal is even cheat and cheat, and make it much more efficiently. Delaying the inevitable I was exactly the type 2. I thought it was all just a way to make more aggressive people to work faster. That was a way to select the best, highlighting the leaders and those who succumbed were weak and unprepared. I believed to be one of the best and be the best and started to despise those who said they were losing money with Herbalife, classifying them as weak and incompetent. Only I did not even realize it was also losing money with Herbalife. My reservations had already been finished, the net income with Herbalife was still insignificant, and some accounts have begun to be paid a few days late. Insignificant problems, I thought. The reality started appearing as the people I had recruited to Herbalife, and were part of my network, began to succumb to prejudice. Many of them were competent people, and that even were doing a good job in Herbalife, but still failed financial return sufficient to sustain the business and broke. I saw people who trusted me to lose their heritage and their economies to Herbalife, part my fault because I had brought to the business and enable them to put all their money into this trap. I saw the general situation of my family to deteriorate, both financially and in mutual relations, as many relatives I put what I thought was the best bargain in the world. I did it sincerely think that was giving them a gift, but actually I have to draw the same hole that was swallowing me. THE REALITY YOU down on the head The final blow came when my finances collapsed. This has made me even GET and even with what everyone considered an incredible success at Herbalife. Besides all the Herbalife pretend to have an incredible success, not because they want to discourage their teams. Also do not want to be outdone by all others who are also pretending. It was increasingly difficult to sell products and recruit people. The city where I lived was

absolutely saturated with Herbalife. Products more expensive. The Internet absolutely polluted sites of Herbalife, disguised or not. My savings had dried up. Credit Card busted. My accounts were all late. The money went in large amounts for spending on Herbalife (products, events, etc.). mincemeat and went, and gradually what was left barely covered the expenses of the house. Persisted until the last moment, because the brainwashing was so powerful that I was always sure we needed just one more day for me to "take off" on Herbalife. It's like the poker player - "will be the next attempt." My wife who previously supported and even helped many of my follies, now was not so happy. I had to put children in a school much less. All this added to the short time I devoted to his family for always being busy with Herbalife, which ultimately affect up to my wedding. It was exactly the opposite of quality of life I had been promised. As with 99.9% of the unfortunate victims of this scam, I suffered shipwreck, and bottom. The worst thing is that this is part of the system, because that way the system is recycled and worn are discarded. The presidents persist precisely because of recycling. Below them, the "millionaires" manage the rest of the mass of GETs down. These alternate cyclically, wear out and fall, but before leaving several other recruits, who make this sordid system to be perpetuated. As they say in meetings, "every month thousands of Brazilians turn 18, so our market is inexhaustible," ie, every day there will be a sucker for it to pluck the savings of a lifetime. IN BRIEF: Before Herbalife I was a successful engineer with a happy family, a comfortable life and money in the bank. I am now bankrupt, owe the bank for the credit card, for relatives and friends without the slightest prospect of being able to pay off those debts. I lost the two cars we had, I lost my job, I run the risk of losing his wife who was living with parents, along with my children, for lack of conditions here at home. My friends hate me, my work excolegas have pity

and do not trust me, my family thinks I'm crazy and enjoying the fruits of this madness. All are right, I was mad and cursed by a criminal scheme, organized so cunning and clever for a highly organized gang. These criminals wear designer clothes, have higher education, speak English and have good looks. Most of them figure in such sites as evidence of how the system works. Yes, it works for them, and for a select few of his own circle of influence. The others will just squeezed their cake and discarded like trash. Part of the money will remain with these bastards, while another part goes out of Brazil for Herbalife in the United States. Until this point we are doubly disadvantaged because they are draining our foreign exchange abroad, in a direct and continuous, at the expense of the misery and suffering of the distributors. No doubt a cruel and criminal activity. BRAINWASHING An anti-American site herbalife sets very well - "Herbalife is an emotional and financial trap." Herbalife distributors are like sheep. Leaders are wolves, before eating them, teach them to bring more sheep. These new, they eat some and teach others to bring more, and so on. Wolves do not even need to leave the ring. Even the sheep will bring more sheep. If one of these sheep is very efficient and bring in hundreds of other sheep, may one day turn into a wolf, and also will eat the sheep. That is why the leadership is rarely exposed. His sheep are their "foreheads railways, disposable and replaceable. Leadership does not need to sell products or deliver leaflets or spamming on the Internet, much less hear insults or take defaults from customers. They have an army of sheep doing all this for them, and each using its own resources. There are more than slaves, are employees who pay for work. Some leaders of Herbalife also gets an additional profit by selling to their junior books, CDs, shirts, pins, stickers and other trinkets. But not so natural but mandatory, after all "who do not buy 20 shirts today is not

committed to the business." At Herbalife everything works well, "fast, fast, fast, without time to think. They'll tell you that the time is now, that only work with people seriously quick decision and that this is one of the factors of "selection". What a joke! Actually they do not want you to have time to think, analyze and investigate. But how can such control over so many people? Ask Adolf Hitler, or the Reverend Moon. People look for leaders, no matter the direction they are taken, but the confidence that leadership requires. The main method used by Herbalife is an efficient system of brainwashing. When I mention this to brainwash the people they feel weird. Imagine people being hypnotized by some guru powerful and losing their will. Of course this is not done so stereotypical, but the impact is just as devastating. Who has not heard of neurolinguistic programming? It is an efficient method, often used constructively, to motivate teams, develop leaders and increase production companies. Teams Herbalife skillfully use these techniques to literally to program the mind of its distributors that they have to do, how to, and that's what they're doing is really the right thing. This is done through a series of events and lectures that they call "system." Countless times I heard members of the leadership in saying "just put the guy in the system." THE SYSTEM The system is used to alienate people from the real world and make them eager advocates of Herbalife, being formed by a series of events, courses and lectures, the most common are:

- HOM (Herbalife Opportunity Meeting): Are small meetings, free, usually weekly, in order to attract new stakeholders. The distributor should bring the greatest possible number of guests for them to appear on "business opportunity". As a rule, when inviting a person can not be said that this is Herbalife, we'll see more about why this is. This event will try to convince people to enter the business or part of a larger event where supposedly know all the details of the "wonderful" opportunity. If the victim decides to join will have to immediately pay the equivalent of \$ 120.00 for enrollment kit and a few extra \$ 150.00 in calls for training "essential for anyone seriously working with the company." From this point, nothing is free.
- QUICK START: It's a small event, paid at the municipal level, done in a sumptuous hotel, who allegedly intended to give basic training to those just joining the business. But the real goal is to convince them that to "get well" they have to acquire (buy) at least \$ 2500.00 in products to become "builders of success" or, better yet, turn to R \$ 9,000.00 "supervisors." Moreover, they promote the great monthly event, the STS.
- STS: monthly event of major proportions, paid two or three consecutive days, usually in a hotel outside the city so that the person is actually immersed only in matters related to Herbalife. Supposedly mean STS Training System for Success. Only if the success of exploitative mafia behind this, just because this event is to start all that remains in the person of good sense and becomes a true slave of Herbalife, who work hard and tirelessly for several months until succumbing to the reality or misery. The most foul and cruel that brainwashing is that in most cases, the victims, having their lives destroyed by Herbalife continue to believe in whatever they were programmed, and almost always end up convinced that failed by their own fault. Will still be saying that Herbalife is the best deal in the world and not accept what people tell them otherwise. Some barely have the time to put hand on some money to re-inject it into Herbalife. I know a former distributor, broke, broken family by Herbalife, which today, although it became clear the experience with Herbalife completely ruined his life and his dreams, still cries for no longer participating in the events, and for not having money to re-qualify as a supervisor! Incredible, is an addiction that can be compared to gambling or alcoholism. As I said before, the big lie of Herbalife is made of many small truths, grouped savvy way to make the coup seem feasible and likely. As we will see: what they claim Herbalife is a solid company, has

over 20 years and is present in 58 countries. WHAT MUST MEIASVERDADE The data are correct, actually the company is very profitable for its owners, shareholders, and leadership. Just so you can expand that way. Yes, the products have excellent quality, but this quality has a steep price. WHOM THE TRUTH IN PRACTICE The company just grows at the expense of its distributors who are actually paying employees to work. Any company with thousands of employees who pay on time will receive a huge growth. If the products sell themselves if they would not be required distributors. Actually they are inaccessible to most people. Who pays for all this is you. To be able to sell something you have to afford advertising, gasoline, telephone, taxes (the ICMS is fully deducted from your bank), bad checks from customers, dissatisfied customers, etc.. All this of what Herbalife is freed, she gives this to you. Its 50% profit will serve very well to meet those costs. And in the end sell! But the money did not enter. Of course, it comes to sales. What is this but to sell? Okay, there goes another big chunk of their profit from these products for personal consumption. Herbalife and leadership, just more money guaranteed. If it's you or the client that consumes the product, so they can not make any difference as long as the money from. It will be very unlikely that you get to that point, but if you will be at the expense of misery for many, many broken marriages, many dreams collapsed, a lot of crying and suffering, all that is steeped in money you will be receiving. If you want to have a minimum of financial success will have to work like crazy, will not have time for anything, will have no weekends or holidays, work at night, will live in a very high level of stress and your family relationship will deteriorate. The products are of excellent quality and they sell themselves. You have an excellent profit margin of 25% to 50%. This is possible because Herbalife, using independent distributors saves on expenses such as premises, staff, advertising, transportation, etc.. This is not sales, just to share the products and opportunity. You should use all products, as well as being good for your health you will speak of them with more sincerity.

Yes, without doubt the herbal saves it all. Good for them. Of course, share with the world, advertise, advertise. No doubt you know in practice how much it weighs in the budget to use all these products daily, even at a discount. If you can keep in Herbalife for about five years without going bankrupt, you may be able to get almost all forms of gain. Supposedly working from home with Herbalife seems to provide more time for family and leisure. You will have seven forms of income. Earnings are unlimited. You'll have more time with his family. You will have more quality of life. You will own your business. If you do not have a heart attack or an ulcer, do not lose the leadership will, of course, to win friends nor the enmity of his relatives, consider your expense. very lucky. You will work on account, it is But you do not own anything! They will turn you away so true. that you are not a source of income. That's exactly what they want everyone to think so when you see that your neighbor who lost his car to pay off debts caused by Herbalife will tell you - "fool, he was not serious enough, but I am." I also thought so a day and now feel the pain and despair of those who despised and classified as weak and incompetent. Indeed success in Herbalife does not depend on anything competence, but rather coldly, greed and bad character. Who does not have success with Herbalife's why it was not serious enough. Did not commit to the deal. Certainly you have to engage in body and soul and become one of them to succeed. I'm sure that many distributors of Herbalife, beginners or veterans, are cursing me as you read these words. They advocate Herbalife as a religion, as a football team. There is no room for reason, just for a fiery emotionalism as if it were a sect of fanatics. It is not rare to see decent

people, ladies and doctors, the Village People dancing music on the stage of the events of Herbalife, because according to Leadership "Who does not dance the YMCA does not become president." They are completely manipulated. It is the height of the degradation of human dignity. SITES Maldita - Spreading The HIT BY BRAZIL Look at these pictures below. Are websites around the internet. Click on them to see enlarged. Everyone is different, but have in common the fact they are very beautiful and sophisticated. Show people happy, successful executives, business women, cars, boats, homes and airplanes. But the most important thing in common, that most people do not know, is that everyone is SITES FOR RECRUITMENT OF FOUL HERBALIFE, not showing their faces so as not to compromise. Only on this page has more than 30 different types, which I found in a quick Internet search. You can even find. Search for "work at home" for example. Look closely. Learn to recognize these traps and stay away from them! The overwhelming majority of these sites do not talk at any time that is Herbalife, or how you will make money, much less explaining why you want to become rich without you even knowing. Sure! It's the scam! Will hook your curiosity! Will update whenever you find a new one. If you find any, send to my email, which is on the "what to do." If you really want to visit these sites to prove what I say, just do a search on Google, AltaVista, Radar UOL. Just browse some of the phrases or words that appear on Web sites. Just be careful not to be seduced by the siren song that is powerful! Do not say you did not warn you! A curious thing is that these sites constantly disappear and reappear under the most different names: Pack For You, Work, VIP Gold Life, STC (System Work at Home), SMD System (Direct Marketing), GDDS, Opportunity of the Century, Please Synergy, Foot Tire Mud (ridiculous that) Work Vision, Vision Marketing, MR Marketing, You Can, Work From Home, Business Center, SIN (this is an appropriate name for "sin" is "Sin" in English), Your Freedom, Business Leader, Click Extra Income, Financial Opportunity, among many others. If any provider denounced by the spam they just close one and open another site, because there is no need to establish roots and credibility. What kind of company is that you need to camouflage themselves in this way to offer their wonderful partnership to Brazilian citizens? They constantly change their address, usually free or use providers outside the country and if necessary vanish without a trace. Sometimes even leave derelict sites, which is not more replies to your visitors. For they are acting in another place with another name. This is further proof that this is just a trap, that as land mines are scattered randomly, making no distinction of their victims. Anyone can be a perfect prey. Hype The principal attraction is via SPAM (bulk e-mails) with a text that most often refers to a multinational company, which has openings for dynamic individuals or leaders, and you might fit in requirements. They even mention the value of the supposed "salary" as being something concrete and guaranteed. They are numbers that come to spend the R \$ 7,000.00 per month. Sounds like the dream job you? But the only requirement is that you have money, or arrange money somehow. But they also tend to place paid advertising on the Internet, with the cost apportioned between distributors of course. Herbalife and leadership does not open his hand or to say good morning. Banners and pop-ups are the most common means, learn to recognize them below: The latter is a real crime. Induces any person to even think that is a job. The term "limited availability" is just so you think you risk losing the chance to rush in and take the bait. Actually there are no limits, the more people the better. Many newly unemployed have stuck their guarantee funds in Herbalife, instead of worsening the situation itself. Tired of seeing this happen, even tired. A TRUE MAFIA BEHIND THE HERBALIFE IN BRAZIL Now it is time to name

and shame, or rather to the vultures that have devoured economies of good people and still helped a multinational unscrupulous to take our currency out of country. Before you let me explain for those who do not know, the hierarchy of Herbalife distributors in Brazil. The privates are distributors, then come the supervisors, the WorldTeam, the GETs, the Millionaires and finally the Presidents. The latter two are the bull shit that coordinate system. It is not coincidental that the vast majority of Presidents of Herbalife in Brazil are relatives or close friends, because it is all a matter of mutual interest. For example, the famous Fugihara family that has three presidents, father and two sons. Likewise the Araújo and Meinberg, that despite the different names are relatives. More are still closed a group of Israelis, "Jews of Herbalife." There are also the Portuguese, the Baptist, among others. These groups and these people is that they are responsible for the perpetuation of the coup, the renewal of ideas and tricks. In general they are very charismatic, speak well, dress well. The worst are exactly those that convey an air of friendliness and honesty, wolves in sheepskins. Let's meet some of them: Fabio and Margot Fugihara - Presidents rode a scheme in the family to grab a bigger slice of the royalties paid by Herbalife. Rely on his brother Danilo and his father Mario in the scheme. Danilo Fugihara - President's brother Fabio. Note in the ill-fated jacket Herbalife brooch that says "Lose weight. Ask me how." They force the poor dealers to buy and use this ridiculous thing. Mario and Fumiya Fugihara - Presidents of the Parents and Fabio Danilo. Looking at it seem to good people, but only good life is full of perks they have, at the expense of another's misfortune. Jaime and Martinha Kosman - These Presidents or more live in Brazil. Enjoy a life of kings in America, where they are out of reach of their victims. To continue its business in Brazil have a gang of "Millionaire" and other leaders of less rank. Until now make weekly teleconferences with their teams over the Internet, commanding the strike distance. Rodrigo Ratton - President One of the main responsible for the infestation of the Internet by the proposed work at home Herbalife. Henry and Cristiane Meinberg - Presidents One of the most despicable I have seen go up in stages of the events of Herbalife. Assume you do not like to work and loves working for him. Despise anyone who does not serve as a good source of income. That was that once polluted the Internet with a plethora of websites trap and today fills our e-mail spam. George and Renata Araujo - Presidents of Cousin Henry and Cristiane were among the first to start the Herbalife business in Brazil. Too much blood, sweat and tears of distributors misfortunes weigh upon his back, and of course some processes that go crawling in court. Always ends with pizza. One day the truth will pay for it all. Carlota and Jose Batista - Brazilian presidents are presidents who have won more with the coup in recent years. Part of the same organization of Meinberg and Araujo. Spread the disease by Brazil to move several times. Valdete Kitts and Marcelino - Presidents are some of the most recent presidents in Brazil. Been a long time "Millionaire." Part of a group of Baptist / Meinberg / Araújo and are responsible for spreading the coup from within the state of Sao Paulo. Yafit and Eli Melek - Israeli Presidents, taught karate and came to Brazil once in order to apply the coup of Herbalife in the country. Leads a group of other Israelis, known as "The Jews of Herbalife." I do not know whether they are Jews, Muslims or Martians, it does not matter. What matters is that they came here to exploit us. Eran and Gabi Schiller - Presidents also Israeli, also came to Brazil now in order to apply the coup of Herbalife in the country. This fighter was kick-box. Is part of Eli Melek. Oscar Ramirez and Karla Fonseca - Presidents responsible for the spread of the coup in central Brazil, from Brasilia. They insist on showing off their cars and their heritage for future distributors, deceiving them that they also have it all. In fact they have everything at the expense

of its distributors. Pedro Cardoso - President came from Portugal and currently lives in Florianopolis. It is one of the worst gang, and what makes more money from the blow by having branches in Portugal and throughout Europe. Boasts of being a "good life" and bears his mansion and his collection of cars, including a Ferrari, a Maserati, a BMW Z4, a yacht ... among other toys. Just with that he draws from students to businessmen to the coup, saying it will help them to be as rich as him. Win more than one million dollars a year while their deluded followers still going bankrupt, being replaced by new victims cyclically. EULA Emerik This, to my knowledge, is not yet president, but works very actively to perpetuate the robbery. Responsible for the coup in the region of Belo Horizonte, Uberlandia. Like the other makes a point of showing off wealth, travel and cars. All this is bait for new distributors who barely know themselves to be who will pay for the perks of presidents. David Mehta This is not president, but it is worth pointing to the individual's face because it goes through expert lectures on CDs and training on nutrition. He is a professor of biology, but people are induced to believe that it is a physician specializing in nutrition. Still there are some presidents who do not have quoted here, many of them do not live in Brazil and most other Brazilians are not. Some are very discrete and rarely appear in public. Are the smartest, but will fall one day. I put here would be expected the president of my line, and the whole gang that helps. But just because he is among those that appear very little and never sets on the internet, if I put here eventually descreevêlo with too many details. I would betray me in words, for exposing these people who I am. That would be very risky because they do not measure consequences to keep their illicit business in operation. Some of the "Millionaire" are just as or more unscrupulous than the presidents. One of them has threatened to kill several unhappy, including myself. So I have to protect anonymity. If someone is taking legal action against any of these bastards, feel free to use the content of this site in your process. I hope that helps put some of these crooks in jail. This will not bring my life back, but it certainly will prevent others from having the life destroyed like mine. HERBALIFE SAYS WHAT ABOUT ALL THIS? It's pathetic, but exactly where the stroke shows very smart and always puts Herbalife in a very comfortable and secure. The company simply "washes his hands." He says that attitudes are isolated from distributors misinformed or misguided. Sometimes it says it will take up the slack. Send an innocuous little letter to the dealer eventually accused of illegal practices and keep a copy in your file to be safeguarded and may well prove that "did his part." The real truth is that Herbalife knows everything that happens in the dirty world of recruiting. She makes blind and deaf, and has no interest in stopping the bull shit, but because their profits would cease. The company publishes rules that supposedly condemn all acts committed by its distributors, presidents, GETs, etc.. but only on paper. Because he knows very well the way business is conducted. • You know that Pedro Cardoso says that everyone will be millionaires. • Knows that Rodrigo Raton and Henrique Meinberg fill the internet with spam. • Knows that "Jews" are events that aim to squeeze money out of people. • Do you know that Jorge Araujo organizes trainings that are brainwashed. • Knows that the couple force their distributors Baptist to "buy" supervision. • Knows that the Fugihara has sites that hide the business until the end. • Know that the "system" is designed to guide people's minds. It is a great hypocrisy of the company simply "wash hands" to do this or say that does not comply with these practices, precisely because without such practices Herbalife does not work. What interests her are just the dollars that will be sent to Los Angeles, where the headquarters of Herbalife. If for that their presidents are to be bandits, they are. Not the problem of the company. Try starting at Herbalife and mention any of

his atrocities. You will receive a response "pasteurized, which does not say or deny anything. Something like "We'll be checking the facts, thanks for your call, have a nice day." All that may try to recover their losses and go with a lawsuit against the company, clash over the fact that it arises as a victim, claiming they were the distributors that used in bad faith on the system, which is legitimate and legal. Yes Network marketing is a legitimate, no doubt, especially if it involves a product or service of real value. But how Herbalife can not sell their product exorbitant price, it maintains your system through a pyramid scheme, which is not the consumer or customer who injects money into the system, but the distributors themselves is that they are consumed as fuel in the furnace. This explains why, unlike what they disclose, Herbalife does not grow more in Brazil, even registering thousands of new distributors each year. Is it because it consumes the resources of these distributors and constantly need more and more to maintain as the worn out.

COBRA SKIN CHANGES News bomb! Direct U.S.. Herbalife is burnt with his image so that its new director, Michael O. Johnson, who is not silly or anything, decided to "change the face" of Herbalife. Gradually a new brand will be introduced to replace the worn name "HERBALIFE". The brand has been chosen, called "ShapeWorks" and is already being marketed by Herbalife distributors in the U.S.. These, in turn, are being told not to associate the new products to the Herbalife name. See the picture next to the "new" products, even the logo has changed, but it is actually the same shake, the same soy protein and the same vitamin Herbalife. That's right, exactly the same products but with another brand. What serious company and solid (such as Herbalife claims to be) would do such a thing? Imagine it is the same as Coca-Cola decides to call himself "Refresh"! The reason is one currently in the United States HERBALIFE name is synonymous with shoddy. She knows so much that he prefers to give up the mark for sales did not fall. This is a solid company dedicated to you work? Get out of this! Do not believe? Visit the official website of Herbalife (English) in www.herbalife.com and prove, is the main page. See also www.myherbalife.com. The latter is a website of Herbalife itself, but with access only to distributors, with news, launches, training, and of course, more brainwashing. WHAT TO DO? HOW TO HELP? HOW TO KNOW MORE? You can make a difference and help spreading this message so that fewer people fall into this scam. Spread the word, tell your friends, neighbors and relatives. Spread this site. Protect those you love. Do as he says the picture on the side, drawn from a U.S. website and it shows a picture of a herbal product with the words "Help stop the scam", or "Help stop the coup." I leave here my e-mail address. I appreciate any useful information to help stop this robbery. Words of comfort and encouragement are also welcome. Send your messages to: herbalixo@hotmail.com Sorry if I can not reply to everyone, but I continue writing and sending information. I know you also receive a plethora of insults, threats and angry messages from distributors who still believe the lies of Herbalife. Spare your words. Was once like you and already insulted who spoke ill of Herbalife. But just for you, and for their families, is what I'm doing it. Especially because I've lost everything. For those who eventually say "go sue me," I suggest that before attempting to process the following sources ... • The world famous magazine Forbes Magazine, for his scathing article against Herbalife (see here). • The Report also famous Herbalife, which exists in several years and that was my inspiration (see here). • The fully Cockeyed Work from Home Report, 27 pages long outlining Herbalife (see

here). • And the many other sites that I list at the end of this page. Interestingly, for each e-mail threatening that I receive, I get about 20 or 30 support, many from other victims, telling stories even worse than mine. This only comes to prove the facts and that Herbalife has a lot more enemies than supporters. MY ADVICE FOR YOU THAT had the misfortune ENTERING THE HERBALIFE I know it is virtually impossible to stop an Herbalife distributor after he became fascinated with the idea of wealth and quality of life. They planted it deep in your mind messed with their dreams, hopes and ambitions. But here's some advice on who has had to learn the hard way, to convince himself that he was wrong. Just two words: Get out! Take it from me. Get out of that while he has left some dignity! Do not rely on my words. Get the facts. Talk to former distributors. Take it the way you work with (not because of leadership lie), and press them to say frankly what they get "net" at all. In general they stutter, or barely know, or say "it depends." How many times I went on stage, events, to say he earned \$ 4,000.00 per month with Herbalife. In theory he was not lying, but did not know that to win it spent \$ 5,000.00 and that my accounts were all late, and for banks and credit cards. See if the big car dealer that is himself, acquitted, or if it is financed with a late delivery. See the multitude of anti-herbalife sites that exist in the United States. Have listed some in the bottom of this page. If they exist, have a reason. See, hear, investigate, use your head. Get a decent work, develop a talent, assist in volunteer service, anything less Herbalife. If you still insi

st on continuing, then good luck and prepare your next villain. If on the otherhand you really have talent for sales or marketing network, and was a business so you wanted, then find something else. Any company that does not hide the name, Brazilian, so that our money will not go abroad with good quality products and affordable prices, legalized and that does not have a dubious history. But always be alert. Again, see, listen, investigate, use your head. HOW TO RECOVER YOUR MONEY If you just enter the cold, and still have on hand the products that it "suggested" buy to become a "builder of success" or a "supervisor", know that although they did not you say, you have the right to return all products for Herbalife and be refunded the full value thereof, including taxes. This is not possible on the initiative of Herbalife, much less the leaders. The case is that the code of consumer protection requires them. They will do anything to try to convince him not to return products, will pose obstacles and arguments, but can not stop you. Take a chance and get out of this while only lost time. But if you're like me, who has a history of long-term accumulated damage, directly and indirectly caused by Herbalife, the only alternative is to move a lawsuit for damages, financial and moral, caused by the induction of error and false advertising. It will be a tough road because the Herbalife can protect himself very well. She will push the blame for you and your sponsor, but the system is so purposefully and the chief culprit remains a safe distance, are the presidents and even Herbalife. Even with these difficulties we can not resign and let them walk forward, increasing the coup financed by our money, our sweat. MY SHARE OF BLAME I take here and ask for forgiveness to those who took the part of Herbalife, which invariably had huge losses. I also ask forgiveness from my family and friends, for not having believed in their warnings. I apologize to my wife, to have her dragged along in this madness, and my children, who deprived of funding, severely affecting their futures. I apologize to God for letting me take the deceitfulness of riches, and I hope that regardless of my share of blame, everyone can understand that too was a victim. Special thanks to Rob Cockerham, cockeyed.com author's website (see below), the tireless work of research on the blows of

Herbalife, the Mark, New Zealand, author of Herbalife Report; By SRR the excellent translation (I hope you make some more) At dear TS (Former downline, very understanding) by most of our images, the Marcao And that was the one who believed that I would take this project to the end. LINKS TO ANTI-HERBALIFE not understand why here in Brazil until then there were no sites exposing the truth behind the Herbalife. I think the Brazilians are ashamed to admit it was wrong. Or because so bankrupt or can no longer access the internet. Even so, just look a little just thinking, get this: <http://www.midiaindependente.org/pt/blue/2003/09/264383.shtml> (article exposing the Herbalife) Even in the United States could be more, but people have enough problems trying to rebuild his life in general want to forget that Herbalife is. Here are lots of excellent web sites on the subject, in English: <http://www.freewebs.com/herbalifereport> (Herbalife Report - anti-Herbalife) Portuguese version of the first page (at the request of readers) http://www.cockeyed.com/workfromhome/workfromhome_s.html (anti Herbalife, 27 pages) <http://www.highprogrammer.com/alan/rants/herbalifescam.html> (anti Herbalife) <http://www.rickross.com/groups/herbalife.html> (articles exposing the Herbalife) <http://www.mlmwatch.org/13Victims/fox.html> (testimony of victim) <http://www.ripoffreport.com/reports/ripoff75372.htm> (testimony of victim) <http://brian.carnell.com/articles/2002/03/000046.html> (testimony of victim) <http://www.mlmsurvivor.com/herbalawsuit.htm> (lawsuit against Herbalife) http://www.mlmsurvivor.com/NWTW_first_amended.htm (shows that Herbalife knows and encourages illegal practices) http://www.rickross.com/mind_control.html (site about brainwashing) Special Feature: 1997 article in Forbes magazine (the most important business magazine in the U.S., if not the world) entitled "Where are the distributors' yachts?". The preface says - "When the U.S. customers of dubious elixirs Herbalife's gone, Mark Hughes began to look for suckers in other continents." Article forcefully condemns the system of Herbalife, explaining how it collapses after a certain period of activities in a country and also warning about the possible involvement of Herbalife with the Russian mafia in their activities in that nation. • Portuguese version. (At the request of readers). • Original version in English .. • Version in PDF format (Acrobat Reader). It is worth remembering - is Forbes magazine staff and not the newspaper of the district, need I say more? Remember, when you see the slogan "LOSE WEIGHT, ASK ME HOW", read "LOSE MONEY, ASK ME HOW" and escape.

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

From: Mema of Auckland

Date: Nov. 15, 2012

Our neighbor recommended their minister to my parents for a cure for cancer (as my father has lung cancer). They went with the neighbor to see this minister, who explained to my parents that Herbalife was the best cure for cancer. (I already knew what the product does.) As for my parents, they are islanders and don't really understand but just went to help dad out. For a whole month every day, they paid \$8 a day to drink three cups of Herbalife, aloe, tea and milkshake. Seriously, all it ever did was make my dad lose weight and put him into intensive care. It made his cancer spread even more, whereas chemotherapy was not an option, for the cells had spread fast and caused his lungs to collapse. He is now taking radiation therapy.

This minister is a con artist and selling products to old people, saying it's treatment for diabetes, cancer, arthritis, etc; little did they know that they are wasting away all because someone is selling products falsely. It's really sad especially lying to old people thinking they are getting cured and paying for something that is not even helping them with their illness. You should check it out. It's scamming innocent, elderly people. They have no idea what is going on.

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From: Peggy of Mexico, MO

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.

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From: Dana of Perth

Date: Nov. 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.

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From: Donna of Wells, ME

Date: Dec. 19, 2010

I, Donna ***, see online that I could start my own business online and starting to make money with in three weeks for only \$9.95 for an online info pack kit. One month and \$400 later and about 100 hours of listening to their training program and doing what it said to do, I still did not see any money from this . So I called Tina ***** and told her I would like my money back and I would send her the kit back . She said she could only a give me \$49.95 back which she did . But I felt they should return all my money. This program does not work.

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

From: Edmund of El Paso, TX

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.

