

When shopping in the United States or Canada, people can return an item they have bought for a refund if they are not pleased with it. Some people will jump at the chance to take advantage of this rule to first meet their needs and then later returning the item to get their money back. But things don't always go as planned.

One day, Judy and her two friends went shopping for the upcoming prom. In the Ladies Department, Judy saw a beautiful dress which cost one hundred Canadian dollars. She didn't have enough money at the time and wondered how she could buy it. Suddenly, an idea came to her. Judy's father had given her one hundred dollars to buy a new calculator for math class. She could use the money to buy the dress, wear the dress to the prom, return it for a refund the next day and then get the calculator. "What a perfect plan!" she said to herself.

Judy bought the dress as planned and tried it on at home. "It fits well," she said. However, as she was putting her make-up on, a piece of lipstick broke off and fell on her dress, leaving a big stain. Judy tried to wash the dress, but the stain wouldn't come off. The worst part was that the dress shrank after she washed it. The store would never take it back now. Judy couldn't believe that she had messed everything up. She didn't know what she could do now.

Judy started to worry about how angry her father would be once he found out what had happened. She decided to tell her father the truth, and was grounded for two weeks. But, Judy learned a good lesson from this experience. She learned that one should not have too many wishes beyond one's means. She also learned that one should never lie.