

Early Morning Computer Programming Blues

G C G G C G G C G G7 C G7

5 C F C C F C D D7 C G

9 D F C G C D7

13 D Tag D7 F C G F G

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1. I wake up in the morning,
Put my coffee on to perk,
I turn on my computer
And I settle down to work.
I load my latest program in
To see if it will run,
But I see....
?SYNTAX ERROR IN 341.

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2. I look that line all over
And sure enough I see
Fourteen brackets facing left-
To right there are but three-
So I sprinkle them in liberally
(You know it's lots of fun)
But I get....
?ILLEGAL QUANTITY IN 341.

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3. I scrutinize it carefully
And yes, I do agree,
The maximum for lines per page
Should not be minus three...
So I add a few more equal signs
(This time it's sure to run),
But now it's....
?TYPE MISMATCH ERROR IN 341.

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4. I sip my coffee slowly
As I ponder my creation;
To get this program off the ground
Will take determination.
I sit down at the keyboard-
I know what must be done-
And I....
DELETE LINE 341.

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5. With great anticipation
I survey my masterpiece;
That ghastly line has disappeared
(Will wonders never cease),
So I boldly type in RUN (Return)....
Oh no! It can't be true....
?SYNTAX ERROR IN 342.

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Tag line:

I'VE GOT THE EARLY IN THE MORNING
MICROCOMPUTER PROGRAMMING BLUES!

(Okay, I guess I'm just not miserable enough to
write a real blues song, but this is the best that
a geek can do.)

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