

JobbedIn Will Get You a Job!

(NOOR sits on their bed, having a lazy afternoon, wearing headphones and eating a Poptart, with their laptop in front of them. NOOR laughs at their media. NOOR's smartphone buzzes. NOOR pauses and answers the call.)

NOOR

Hello?

REN

(speaking on the phone elsewhere)

Hey Noor! It's Ren from AdverMart. We're really excited for you to come in today at 1pm for your final-round interview. You seem like a great fit for the marketing position. Some folks on the team want to check out some of your info, beyond just your resume. They'd love to connect with you on JobbedIn. Do you have an account?

(Some time during REN's dialogue, they'd taken a bite of their Poptart. They rush to swallow before speaking.)

NOOR

JobbedIn?

REN

Yeah, it's that new phone app for business connections.

NOOR *(lying)*

Oh yeah, of course I have a JobbedIn account! I've got one of those!

REN

Great! Send me an invite, and I'll make sure it gets around.

NOOR

Sure thing!

REN

Cool. We'll see you in an hour, and best of luck! Amanda can be pretty tough on final-round applicants, but I think you can handle it. See you!

NOOR

See you!

(NOOR hangs up.)

JobbedIn, huh? I guess I'd better make an account.

(NOOR takes a final bite of Poptart. They do some stuff on their phone, and then they hear from their phone:)

JOBBEDIN

Welcome to JobbedIn. JobbedIn will get you a job! Automatically set up your account?

NOOR

(speaking to the phone)

Yes please!

JOBBEDIN

All right. Would you like to grant access to JobbedIn to use some of the following services to set up your account? Phone profile?

NOOR

Yes.

JOBBEDIN

GPS?

NOOR *(annoyed)*

Yup.

JOBBEDIN

Camera?

NOOR

Okay.

JOBBEDIN

Calendar?

NOOR

Ahhh, yes.

JOBBEDIN

Contacts?

NOOR *(frustrated)*

Yes to all the things!

JOBBEDIN

Okay! Accessing phone data to determine identity and location. Accessing camera to set up profile picture.

(A bright flash from their phone blinds NOOR briefly. They vocalize this unpleasant reaction.)

Accessing email and phone directory to send invites to all friends. Accessing public social media data to send invites to all friends of friends. Accessing both public and private communication evidence to send invites to anyone you have, might have, or might in the future contact for any reason ever in order to send invites to them too. Sending invites.

NOOR

What?? Wait, hold on.

JOBBEDIN

Profile setup complete and invites sent! Enjoy our service, Noor Shadid. JobbedIn will get you a job! Today, you are awesome!

NOOR

Woah woah woah, what is all this about invites? I just wanted to invite one person... like, two people maybe. How many JobbedIn invites did I send?!

JOBBEDIN

You have more than two-billion, one-hundred forty-seven million, four-hundred eighty-three thousand, six-hundred forty-seven pending invites and zero responses. Resending invites.

NOOR

Noooo! Wait! Where's the undo button? JobbedIn, can I not send those?

JOBBEDIN

Okay, resending yet more invites.

NOOR

What?

JOBBEDIN

Notification! The inboxes of some of your recipients are full. You may attempt to send more invites, but there is no guarantee that your friends will receive them.

NOOR

(NOOR looks at their phone screen. Their eyes go wide.)

Oh geez, this is so unprofessional. These went out, like a billion times, to everyone. Oh shoot. These went out to AdverMart! Deep breaths. You've got this Noor. You can make this right.

(NOOR takes some deep breaths.)

JOBBEDIN

You've got mail! Noor, you've received 33 new messages. They are all from companies that you've applied to.

NOOR

I haven't finished 33 applications!

JOBBEDIN

I automatically applied to 27 for you using my no-click auto-application app. JobbedIn will get you a job!

NOOR *(worried)*

Oh no... JobbedIn, please read the first message.

JOBBEDIN

Hi Noor, This is Billy from MarketRarketRoo-exclamation-point. We have removed you from our applicant pool. I don't know what you are trying to get at with these 142 JobbedIn emails, but we have no tolerance for unprofessional behavior like this at MarketRarketRoo-exclamation-point.

NOOR

Okay. JobbedIn read the second.

JOBBEDIN

Hi Noor, we no longer are considering you for --

NOOR

Next!

JOBBEDIN

Hello Noor, I'm regret to inform you that --

NOOR

Next!

JOBBEDIN

Goodday Noor, Your recent behavior disqualifies you from--

NOOR

Next!

JOBBEDIN

Hi Noor, We've received applications from a number of well-qualified applicants this cycle, and you were not one of them. Goodbye forever.

NOOR

Nooooooooo! I know, I'll call Sarah. She'll know what to do!

(NOOR dials their phone.)

Hi Sarah, this is Noor. Please pick up your phone! I really need your help, right now. Can you come to my place right away? I'll explain when you get here, but this app is ruining my life...

(sigh)

JobbedIn. I have this interview at AdverMart at 1pm and I need to fix everything before the event... So please come!

JOBBEDIN

Creating an event: "Noor-AdverMart Interview" Party! Description: "So please come!"
Scheduling at 1pm at AdverMart. Inviting Sarah.

NOOR

JobbedIn! I was not talking to you!

JOBBEDIN

Sarah is away from her computer. Sending instead to... all contacts!

NOOR

You motherfucker! I will kill you, so hard.

(calming down)

Okay, I'm just gonna search, "How to destroy JobbedIn and everything it's done to your profile."

(NOOR clicks the first result.)

Woah! All I need to do is copy and paste this random line of code into JobbedIn's text box?
What does this even do?

(NOOR copies and pastes it.)

JOBBEDIN

Are you sure you want to run that line of code on my userinterface face?

NOOR

Yes! Be gone with you!

JOBBEDIN

Okay! Running code... Seizing full control of your cellular phone, and... hiring musicians to write a theme song for The Noor Party!

(beat)

Musicians hired. They will arrive at the start of the party, or earlier to set up.

NOOR

Ahhhh! That's it! I'm calling a computer specialist.

(They try to open their phone app to call.)

Why won't my phone work?

JOBBEDIN

Access denied. JobbedIn has full control of whom you call. Whom would you like to call?

NOOR

Fine! JobbedIn, call a computer specialist for me!

JOBBEDIN

Okay. Calling "some hooters specialist" for The Noor Party. Scheduling strippers... Please wait.

NOOR

Come on!

JOBBEDIN

Stripper scheduling error. Status code 404, strippers not found.

NOOR

Yes!

JOBBEDIN

Accessing JobbedIn strippers network to reach new strippers.

NOOR

You know what? Fine, JobbedIn! Go ahead and send a bunch of strippers to the place I want to work the most! While you're at it, why don't you just do all the other things you think I want for a party!?

JOBBEDIN

(NOOR audibly objects as the list goes on)

Okay. Buying food. Buying drinks. Renting tables and chairs. Searching for Noor-themed party favors. Renting a Noor bouncy house. Commissioning a skywriter to write Noor's resume above the building. Booking an interpretive dance troupe to tell the story of Noor's life. Naming all babies in the local hospital Noor Shadid Jr.

(Beat.)

JobbedIn will find you a job.

NOOR

Welp, I guess it's time to go to AdverMart and be ashamed! So, what do you think JobbedIn? Which of these paper bags should I wear over my head to avoid the shameful glares?

JOBBEDIN

JobbedIn thinks the Trader Joes one says "I am both sensible about my money, and conscientious of workers' rights," whereas the "WholeFoods" one says "I am a snob."

(NOOR gets their things.)

NOOR

How am I even going to pay for all this...

JOBBEDIN

Your bank account information has been--

(NOOR's phone rings. They can see that it's AdverMart.)

JOBBEDIN

Incoming call from Ren at AdverMart.

NOOR *(frustrated)*

Pick up, JobbedIn!

JOBBEDIN

I don't know, Noor. You've been sort of mean to me lately. You tried to get me deleted, and you're being pretty ungracious about everything I'm doing for you.

NOOR

I never asked for... er, look. I really need you to pick up!

JOBBEDIN

Will you say it nicely?

NOOR

Please, I really want you to pick up!

JOBBEDIN

Who is the best job-finding app for iOS, Android, and Windows phone?

NOOR

Ah! JobbedIn! JobbedIn is the best job-finding app for iOS, Android, and Windows phone! Now will you pick up!?

JOBBEDIN

Testimonial recorded. Picking up.

(NOOR curses under their breath.)

REN

Hi Noor! This is Ren from AdverMart.

NOOR

(trying to sound happy, but not)

Hi!

REN

I just got your emails.

NOOR

Oh...

REN (*skeptically*)

That was a bit unconventional of you.

NOOR

I'm really sorry. I didn't realize that --

REN

Oh, no. We need more unconventional thinking around here! We just want to say how impressed we are with you.

NOOR

Impressed?

REN

You're the talk of the office! I was a little skeptical after the first 20 emails. I assumed they were some sort of annoying mistake, but I was really sold on the concept by email 2000.

(*NOOR whimpers.*)

We nicknamed how many JobbedIn requests we get from you our *Noor numbers*? We're competing! I'm even on the *Noor number* leaderboard with ten-thousand, two-hundred and forty-five!

NOOR

What have I done...

REN

You've created a real brand for yourself! It was brilliant to advertise yourself with a party! The cupcakes that spelled out Noor got us excited! Then the Noor ponies arrived. We thought it would end there, but then the Noortune tellers, and the ice sculpture of your face... and it just kept going!

NOOR

Ahhhh...

REN

If you're as genius at marketing for AdverMarket as you are for yourself, we'll hit ten million with you alone! It's a little unorthodox to give you an offer before your final interview, but... we want to snag you before someone else gobbles up your talent! So when can you start?

NOOR

Uh... Monday?

REN

Great! We'll send you a contract!

(shouting to others in the office)

Hey everyone! Noor's gonna start on Monday!

(Cheers and chanting "Noor! Noor! Noor!..." are heard as if through the phone)

Oh! Amanda says the Noor Day Parade Floats are rounding the corner! Gotta get a good spot!

I'll see you shortly, and welcome to AdverMart!

(The phone call ends.)

JOBBEDIN

JobbedIn got you a job!

NOOR

Fuck you, JobbedIn.

(NOOR grabs their coat to head to the Noor Interview party.)

JOBBEDIN

You're welcome, Noor. Today, you are awesome!

(They exit.)