

The following article is a mock press release from *The Daily Mash*, A British publication devoted to humor and satire. Read the article carefully. Then write a fat paragraph in which you analyze one or two strategies used in the article to satirize how communities see books and learning . (Think about the essence of the satire. How is the writer poking at society? Be thorough. For example, don't just tell me that the author uses quotes to make the story seem real. That's obvious. Think instead about the conflicts or the comparisons that the author makes and why.)

Libraries have terrible business model, says government

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LIBRARIES are never going to make money if they dish out books for free, the government has claimed.

New research found that the average user spend per library visit is nothing, prompting ministers to question the validity of the business model.

A government spokesman said: “They deserve to be shut down if they insist on letting people take books, read them and bring them back.

“Libraries should be more like Amazon or Waterstone’s, where you pay a sum of cash for the book then keep it.

“But it appears that every library in history has functioned this way, even the Great Library of Alexandria built in 300 BC was a total failure if you look at revenues.

“It’s like librarians are some sort of communists.”

Librarian Mary Fisher said: “To turn a profit we’d probably need to charge overdue fees of about £1000 per day, which is quite a hike from 2p.”

